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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Students Warned

THE latest Peking decision to reward well-behaved students with jobs suggests that this is one step the authorities are taking to deal with the so-called student rebellion. Wide-spread complaints have been heard all over China against abuses in the appointment of graduates to positions in government, commerce and industry for some time.

Almost a year ago, "Chang Wang", a Chinese review said: "Graduate students must accept the tasks allotted to them by the State which are based on a plan; but it is disheartening to see the extent to which common sense is flouted in allotting these tasks."

The departments which need graduates specialising in a particular subject are unable to obtain exactly what they need, and the graduates' abilities are disregarded when the time comes to allot jobs to them. It is doubtful, however, whether the allocation of plum jobs to the best behaved will be the only action taken to curb student recalcitrance. Perhaps it will evoke some response or perhaps it is intended only as a warning. But if widespread opposition continues, Peking will be forced to look around either for palliatives, which would amount to a reversal of its present attitude, or stricter measures, which can only increase frustration and possibly add an air of tension to state-student relations.

THE prospect of students having to fill pioneer posts will provoke mixed feelings. The authorities have switched thousands to new locales since 1950. But while some have taken root in the new surroundings, the drift back to the country to the cities has caused serious concern. The idea of developing the outback is a challenge that appears to appeal to very few. And local feeling against Peking imports may add to the problem.

To many students the idea of finding their own job without the State's blessing in a land where the State's blessing appears to be paramount would be a nightmare. It is this particular policy that may well provoke the greatest source of dissatisfaction and it would not be surprising if angry rumblings among students turned into more demonstrative protests than have been recently witnessed.

DISASTROUS CHINA FLOODS

Greatest Ever Recorded In Shantung OVER 500 DEAD

Tokyo, July 22.

CHINA reported today that 557 are already known to be dead and "one million affected" in the "greatest floods ever recorded" of two rivers in southern Shantung Province.

Radio Peking reported today that the floods, "a four-day deluge which climaxed two weeks of exceptionally heavy rainfall," occurred on the Yi and Shu rivers.

"The floods have submerged an area of 2,718,100 acres of land near the coast by the boundary of Shantung and Kiangsu provinces," the radio said.

"About one million people are affected."

"Several thousand villages were marooned," the radio said with both rivers bursting dykes in many sections "though the rivers had been deepened and their dykes greatly strengthened in recent years."

AIR-DROPS

The radio said that more than 50,000 men including "local People's Liberation Army units" are fighting the floods.

"Thousands of tons of food-stuff and more than 20,000 life buoys have so far been air-dropped to the marooned villages," the radio added.

"Hundreds of motor boats, amphibious cars and life boats have been rushed to the area from Peking, Shanghai, Nanking, and other cities to rescue people who are still in dangerous places," the radio went on.

The radio said that rainfall preceding the floods "reached in some places the fantastic figure of 39.37 ins. compared with the normal annual average of 23.62 ins."

The rainfall, the radio said, was "almost as heavy as fell in the four months in the Yangtze river basin during the heavy floods of 1954."—United Press.

'CURIOSITY' TRAVELLER AT KAI TAK



Mr and Mrs Donald J. Blackwood and their son at Kai Tak this morning. The Blackwoods left for the United States via Japan. — China Mail Photo.

BLACKWOOD FAMILY LEAVES FOR UNITED STATES

MR Donald Jackson Blackwood, the American who took a "curiosity trip" to China, accompanied by his Korean wife and infant son last April, left for the United States via Japan this morning by North West Airlines.

Mrs Blackwood, a Korean national whose maiden name is Lee Chung-sook, left without a passport.

Dressed in a blue slacks and cream coloured Hawaiian shirt, Mr. Blackwood was swinging the camera that he had taken to China, as he arrived at the airport at 7.30 a.m. by taxi with his family.

Mr. Blackwood willingly posed for photographs.

ON CREDIT

His airline tickets were taken on credit. North West Airlines were given assurance that they would be paid for in the United States by Mr. Blackwood, Snt.

In a brief interview, Mr. Blackwood said he had no definite plans at present, but was likely to join his father and work for him.

A China Mail reporter asked: "Do you plan to return to Communist China one day?"

Mr. Blackwood: "I do not intend to return to China or Hongkong." And he reflected: "Or even Korea."

Asked about his wife's passport, he replied that it had all been taken care of during the weekend.

Mr. Blackwood said a report that the South Korean Foreign Ministry will summon his wife back to the Republic for investigation for violation of her passport regulations was "rubbish."

Asked his impression of China, Mr. Blackwood said it was very difficult to describe in a few words. "Some are good and some are bad," he said when questioned further. (Contd. on Page 8, Col. 7)

HK's Fifth Diesel On The Way

Hongkong's fifth diesel locomotive is expected to arrive in Hongkong on August 9.

It is being brought to the Colony on the Eastern & Australian Steamship Co. Ltd freighter *ss Eastern*. It was loaded on to the ship on July 13.

The locomotive is known as the Clyde-G.M. Model G. 12" and those made for the Kowloon-Canton Railway are 1,425 horse-power.

Some For China?

Our Sydney correspondent writes: "Nine other diesels of 1,500 horse-power have been made for Pakistan to the order of the Australian Government under the Colombo Plan, and 10 have also been delivered to New Zealand."

"No locomotives have been made for the Chinese Government so far, but the Clyde Engineering Co. Pty Ltd would be interested if the present embargo were relaxed."

(See P. 10)

MOVE OVER THERE!



This traffic accident occurred at the corner of Tam Kung and Sung Wong Toi Roads, Kowloon City this morning. There were no casualties.—China Mail Photo.

Why RAF Left Sek Kong

By DAVID T. K. WONG

The decision to give up Sek Kong airfield by the Royal Air Force, announced in Hongkong recently, was made for reasons of economy, an Air Ministry spokesman said in London.

However, the amount of money saved by this measure is likely to be nominal, although the spokesman pointed out such economies, when carried out on a global scale, would add up to a considerable saving.

But while the airfield itself was being given up completely for flying purposes, the spokesman said that certain accommodation at Sek Kong would be retained by the Air Force for "possible future use."

What this use might be, he could not say.

FOR EMERGENCIES

[It was learned in Hongkong this morning that the Sek Kong field would continue to be available for emergency use for civil aircraft although it is understood there is no air traffic control there.]

Asked if any reduction in the overall Air Force strength in Hongkong was contemplated in the near future for reasons of economy, the spokesman said the matter was being "thought about" but that it was still in the "discussion stage."

Air Force strength in Hongkong now includes a squadron of Venom day fighters, a number of Austers for communication and air observation flights, and some Austers and Harvard trainers for the use of the Hongkong Auxiliary Air Force.

Formerly both the communication and air observation squadron and the Hongkong Auxiliary Air Force squadron had made use of the Sek Kong airfield.

MALAYA MINISTER ACCUSED OF KMT ALLIANCE

Kuala Lumpur, July 21.

Tengku Abdul Rahman, Malaya's Chief Minister, today accused a Chinese member of his own government of allying himself with the Kuomintang.

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Kidnap Threat Against Princess

Gstaad, July 21.
Anonymous letters alleging a plot to kidnap their daughter, five-month-old Princess Caroline, have been received by Prince Rainier and Princess Grace of Monaco, a reliable source here said today.

The letters are believed to be a hoax, but they are the reason why the Prince and Princess tried to keep their child at least in Switzerland, their recent voluntary absence from the chalet they have rented at Schoenried, near Gstaad.

They had to pay a quick visit to Monte Carlo and slipped quickly away, leaving Caroline in the chalet in the care of her nurse and members of the household.

They returned today and have resumed their country outings in a runabout but—China Mail Special.

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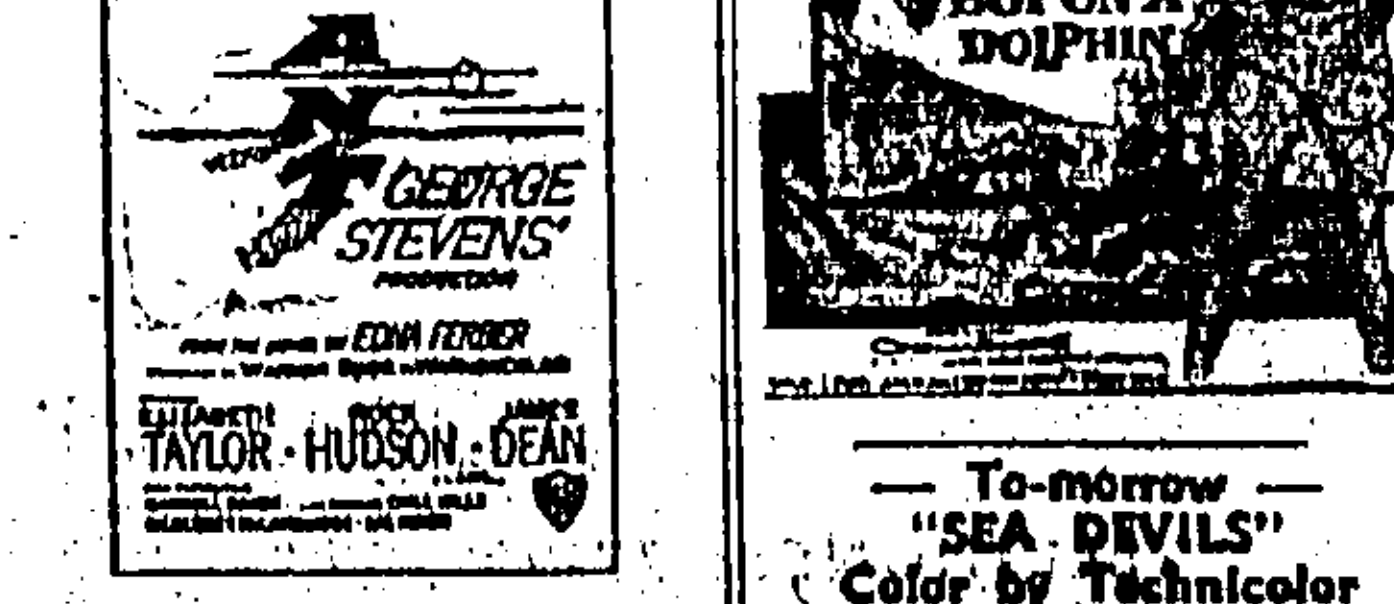
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NAGUIB WAS TO BE PRESIDENT**Assassination Plot
To Kill Nasser
And Whole Cabinet**

Cairo, July 21.

The anti-Nasser group exposed in Cairo last week planned to assassinate the Egyptian President and immediately afterwards restore former President Mohammed Naguib in a bid to rally popular support for the new order, informed sources said today.

The plan depended on speed and precision, the sources explained. Immediately Nasser had been wiped out, the intention was to drive Naguib from his forced residence to the Presidency amid anti-Nasser demonstrations.

It was the second projected coup d'etat aimed at ousting Nasser. The first was initiated by the Muslim Brotherhood in 1954 when a member of the brotherhood fired eight shots at the President. They missed.

STRONG ENOUGH

Although only 14 persons involved in the latest plot have been arrested, reliable informants say the group felt sufficiently strong to plot the assassination of every member of the present cabinet, seize control of Cairo Radio and the central telephone exchange, and take over key police and strategic road junctions throughout the city.

The sources said the "Truth Partisans", to which the 14 prisoners allegedly belong, were organized in secret cells, each composed of a maximum of five members. Seven cashiered army officers and two active army personnel in the group were among the fourteen arrested by Cairo police in last week's roundup. The five remaining prisoners are civilians. They are said to have belonged to the now dissolved Wafd Party, the biggest political organization in Egypt from 1919 until the army revolution of 1952.

CENTRAL FIGURE

Central figure in the alleged coup is 40-year-old Ahmed Atai Nasser, a cashiered brigadier. He was being described as military leader of the group.

Five years ago, when the army staged the revolution which ousted King Farouk, Nasser was appointed commanding officer of the northern area. Later the ruling army junta called for his dismissal for reasons never disclosed, but President Nasser sent him instead to New Delhi as military attaché to the Egyptian Embassy.

In 1955 the Egyptian President stopped at New Delhi on his way to the Bandung Conference, and Nasser's plea to be sent back to Egypt was granted. —United Press.

**DESTROYERS IN
GULF OF SUEZ**

Suez, July 21.

Four United States destroyers were lying about two miles offshore in the Gulf of Suez to-night.

Two of them—Miller and Rooks, both of 2,650 tons—halted in the Gulf after passing through the Suez Canal on their way to the Red Sea. Later they were joined by the destroyers Gearing and Robert McCord, both of 2,425 tons. These two ships were expected to head northwards for the Mediterranean later. —Reuters.

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**UNJAMMED
ATHENS
RADIO**

Nicosia, July 21.

Greek-Cypriot listeners in various parts of Cyprus reported this evening they could listen to unjammed Athens Radio programmes for the first time in over 16 months.

They said in addition to music programmes they were able clearly to hear unjammed news broadcasts.

In Nicosia an official spokesman on inquiry said "jamming of Athens Radio continues but presently it is selective, not 100 per cent."

POLITICAL

The spokesman added jamming is effected "when a programme is likely to be political".

Otherwise it was not applied continuously as before.

Just as the spokesman was giving this statement Athens Radio light music programme which was being clearly heard in Nicosia began being jammed again.

Britain began jamming Athens Radio on March 5 last year, a few days after final talks with Archbishop Makarios broke down and four days before his deportation.

Jamming is controlled in Cyprus and manned by army signals. —Reuters.

**TAMED BEER
DRINKING
BEAR KILLED**

Tokyo, July 22.

A TAME black bear who took baths and drank beer with the guests at his owner's hotel in Gumma Prefecture, north of Tokyo, was killed when he returned home after a year's wandering.

Frightened townspeople failed to recognise their pet and clubbed him to death. The bear used to sit on his hind legs and drink beer from a bottle held in his front paws. It was thought the bear, who left home last August, became homesick for his mate, also owned by the hotel proprietor. —Reuters.

I WILL—AND BOY GETS VILLAGE GREEN

Rehoboth, July 21.

A butcher's boy went to an auction for fun and came away owner of a village green.

And for his £5 all he had to pay for the green—28-year-old John Hartle also has fishing rights on a stretch of the River Waver, which runs past the village green at Waverbridge.

A Friend Of The New Age

French film starlet Anne Marie Merson said last week that she was a friend of Prince Karim—the Aga Khan IV. She said "I suppose I am the only girl he has ever been around with." The couple met more than a year ago at Cannes on the French Riviera. Photo shows Anne Marie Merson, during a recent visit to London. —Reuters Photo.

**EGYPTIAN STUDENTS
BECOME GUN-TOTING
'FRANKENSTEINS'**

By ZAKI SALAMA

Cairo, July 21.

Egypt's pistol-packing students have swung their guns from British tommyes to their own teachers.

In three straight days during final exams this month one student shot his teacher dead, another student knifed his teacher to death, and a third student threatened his teacher with a pistol.

The Egyptian Press feared. For days editorials and columns heaped invective on the younger generation and everything from juvenile delinquency to rock 'n' roll.

CARICATURES

Then cartoonists took over with caricatures of gun-toting schoolboys. In one cartoon on Qasab's Bazaar, the Moslem East in which Mohammedans eat mutton, a lamb tells its knife-wielding butcher: "Who do you think you are, a student?"

In another cartoon a bookshop keeper tells a student: "We haven't got chemistry books but would you like a .45?"

The Cairo weekly newspaper Al-Ahram interviewed a student and published this exchange:

Do you go to the movies?

Sure.

How many times a week?

Six.

How about the seventh day?

School's closed, stupid.

Education Minister Kamal El-Din Hussein, former junta man and now commander of the National Guard, said the killings were individual cases and did not reflect on the country's educational system.

But one teacher said: "Schools are no longer schools. They are military camps."

The pistol entered the Egyptian student's life shortly after World War II. Until then the Egyptian student was a stone-thrower. He went out on street demonstrations and hurled stones at policemen who were equipped with bamboo sticks and wooden shields.

With the end of the war, Egypt renewed its demand for the withdrawal of British occupation troops. Student demonstrations grew more and more violent, and policemen started shooting point-blank. There were plenty of firearms on the black market. Allied armies had just pulled out of Egypt with the termination of Western Desert fighting, leaving heaps of small firearms behind. Gun-running was in full swing, and the extremist Moslem Brotherhood was giving free para-military training.

NATIONAL GUARD

When the army revolution came, the Government decided to channel the students' restless spirit into organized National Service. It formed the National Guard which was joined by almost half the high school and college students.

Now, it is believed, this militarisation has brought discipline into school life. But many a student is proving to be a problem-child. Frankenstein.

United Press.

**LIBERACE
GETS
ARMED
GUARDS**

Hollywood, July 21.

ARMED guards were posted at the homes of pianist Liberace and his two brothers today as a result of the mysterious beating of their mother last Thursday night.

Liberal of the guards was stationed by the pianist's lawyer, Mr. John Jacobs, who said that in addition a personal bodyguard had been retained to remain with Liberace at all times. Liberace's home and those of his brothers, George and Rudy, are in neighbouring San Fernando Valley communities.

IN HOSPITAL

Their mother, Mrs. Frances Liberace Casanova, was beaten into unconsciousness by two masked men at Liberace's home. She is expected to be in hospital for several more days. Police have made little progress in their inquiry into the beating. "We can't take a chance," Mr. Jacobs said. "You don't know how to combat something you don't understand. What else can we do?" —Reuters.

New Hotel

Cairo, July 21. The new Stephens Hotel, replacing the historic building burnt down in the 1952 "Black Saturday" riots, opened today with the issue of a special postage stamp to mark the event. —China Mail Special.

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BRITISH ON WAY TO MUSCAT

Revolt Started Over Sultan's Arrest Of Rebels' Negotiator

London, July 21.

The British Government will support the Sultan of Oman and Muscat against the revolt of the tribes supporting the former Imam of Oman, official sources said in London tonight.

'LIBERATING REVOLUTION' SAYS IMAM

Paris, July 21. The Imam of Oman's office in Cairo today issued a communique stating that "the revolution which broke out in the territory of Oman is a liberating revolution aimed at independence," the Egyptian radio reported.

The communique said the independence of Oman had been officially recognized until 1955, when "the forces of the Sultan of Muscat, under imperialist influence," attacked the territory.

"The Liberals of Oman, who have declared war on British imperialism and its agents, know that only the revolution can ensure their freedom and are offering their lives as the price of independence," the communique said.—France-Press.

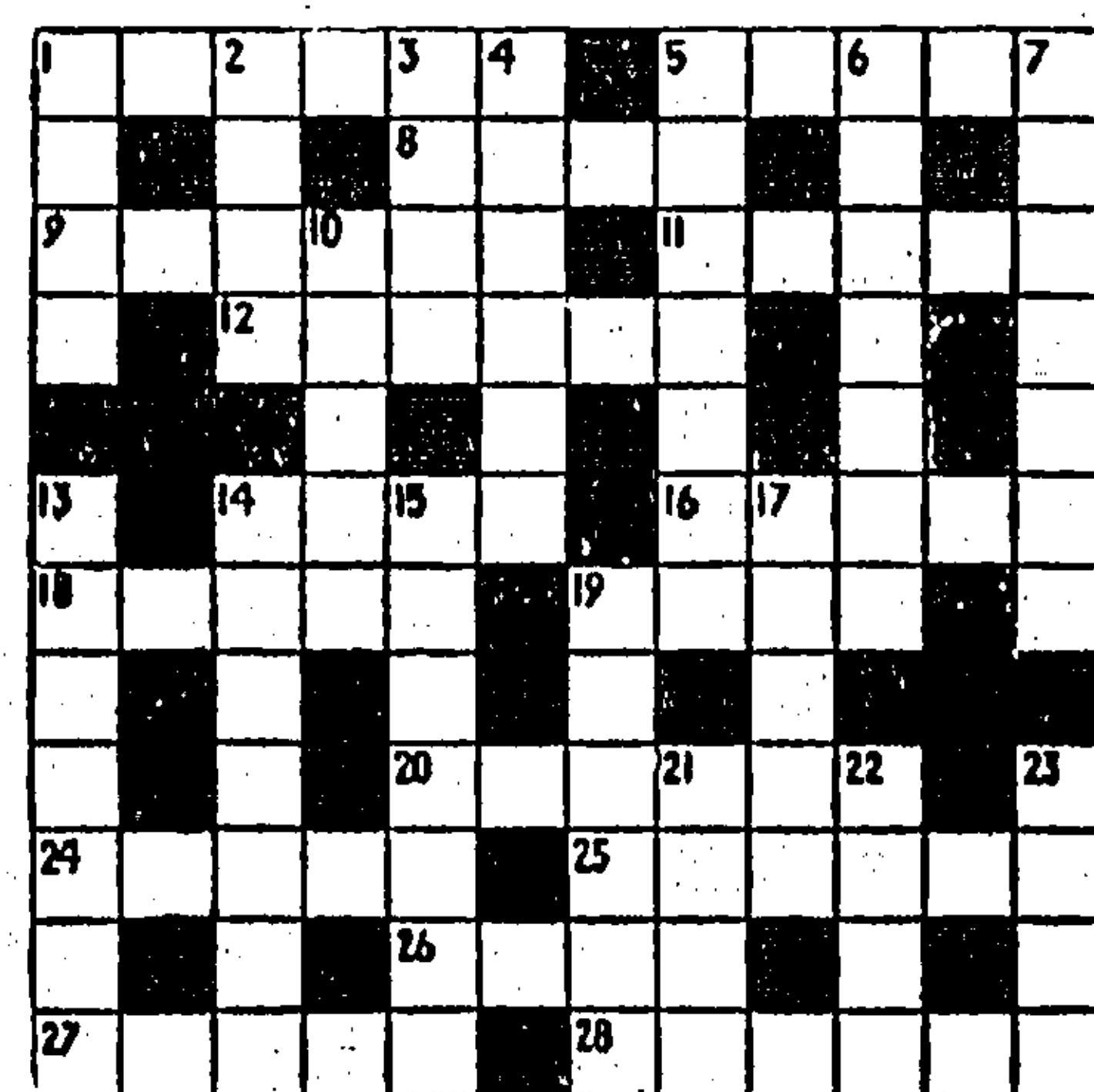
BRITISH ACTOR MARRIES

New York, July 21. British actor Wilfrid Hyde-White was married today to a Brooklyn-born actress two years younger than his son.

Hyde-White, 54, and Ethel Korman, 25, were married in a brief ceremony at the Universal Church of the Divine Paternity.

The bride's 52-year-old father, Irving Korman, a movie sound engineer, gave her away. The bridegroom, married once before, has a son, Michael, 27.—United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- General dictator (6).
 - Having been bullied? (5).
 - By word of mouth (4).
 - Not related (6).
 - Portion out (5).
 - Something like satin (6).
 - Water plant (4).
 - Striking effect (5).
 - Got out of bed (5).
 - He was first (4).
 - Robinson of course (8).
 - Attable name of God (5).
 - Not as a rule (6).
 - Not one-sided (4).
 - Scent detectors (5).
 - It's a big effort (6).
- DOWN**
- Rises from the stove (4).
 - Workers, but not bees (4).
 - Leggy youngsters (4).
 - A trying time (6).
 - Sound like a bell (7).
 - Kaiser (7).
 - Can't bear (7).
 - Best part of the desert (5).
 - Bought in the basement? (7).
 - Big drinks (7).
 - Blood-suckers (7).
 - Happy song (5).
 - Diverts just for fun (6).
 - Made to go (4).
 - Best girl? (4).
 - Said to put an end to prayer (4).

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Cubism, 5 Fatima, 8 Lilac, 9 Linden, 10 Score, 11 Domes, 12 Sofa, 13 Ideas, 16 Carver, 18 Cuddle, 20 Stern, 22 Opal, 23 Aside, 25 Ditty, 26 Lariat, 27 Oiler, 28 Meloe, 29 Slogan. Down: 1 Colossus, 2 Boniface, 3 Sloc, 4 Minerva, 5 Falsify, 6 Accede, 7 Maria, 14 Bumping, 15 Skeleton, 16 Consul, 17 Riddle, 19 Orator, 21 Trip, 24 Earl.

CHAPLIN RELAXES WITH HIS DAUGHTER



Charlie Chaplin and his family are spending their summer vacation in their villa at Saint Cap Ferrat, on the French Riviera. Photo shows Charlie Chaplin with one of his daughters, Patricia, on his knee at his villa.—Keystone Photo.

CLASHES BETWEEN PICKETS & POLICE IN UK BUS STRIKE

London, July 21.

Incidents involving police, pickets and passengers were reported from various parts of Britain tonight as the 100,000-man stoppage, which has halted about half the nation's bus and coach services, ended its second day.

Nottingham, in the Midlands, was one of the main trouble spots.

There, 70 Roman Catholics had to abandon a pilgrimage after a car was driven across the path of the buses in which they were travelling.

At one of Nottingham's garages, four buses were driven through picket lines under police protection. There were clashes between pickets and police.

Long-distance buses were given police car escorts. The Nottingham bus company which have not been involved in the dispute announced later they were withdrawing all their services because of what they described as the extreme violence used by the strikers.

Elsewhere in the Midlands, at Cellarhead, a Staffordshire town, a manure was smeared over the windshield of a coach which had women and children among its passengers.

Police, called to the area, found a huge stone in the middle of the roadway. They interviewed several strike pickets.

At nearby Yeon, 20 pickets tried to stop a coach leaving a local garage to take people to church but it was able to get through.

But another coach from the same garage on a similar errand was turned back by pickets.

One Staffordshire bus owner, 72-year-old Mr Charles Wheldon, of Rugby, has told his employees that unless they resume work he will close his business and retire.

DRIVER ATTACKED

At Pontefract, South Yorkshire, a volunteer bus driver was attacked on his way home by four men. The skeleton service for which he had been driving was closed down after the attack.

Tomorrow will be the first day on which the strike's effects will be fully felt as millions of workers and schoolchildren all over the provinces go back to duty after the weekend.

Private motorists are being asked to give as many lifts as possible and a special third-party insurance scheme has been offered by the Ministry of Transport to indemnify them against accidents.

The busmen are striking for a 2.1 wage increase. They have already reduced an employers' offer of three shillings.—Reuters.

TOMMIES BRAWL WITH GERMANS

Hannover, July 21.

British soldiers clashed with German civilians in two weekend brawls, German Police reported today.

Two German civilians were injured, two British soldiers were arrested, and at least four other Tommies were being sought in connection with the incidents.

INCIDENTS

There have been 55 soldier-civilian incidents in this area in the past four months.

Five soldiers beat up a German pedestrian in Hameln so severely that he was hospitalized, German Police said. One of the soldiers, his clothes spotted with blood, was arrested shortly afterward and gave British military police the names of his four companions.

TAVERN FIGHT

Another group of British Tommies were involved in a tavern fight in Hameln, sending one German to hospital. One of the soldiers was arrested. The incidents came only a day after a 54-year-old woman was beaten with her umbrella, wielded by an intoxicated soldier.—United Press.

America's Loudest Non-Atomic Bang

Little Valley, Utah, July 21.

Railway engineers today set off the loudest non-atomic explosion ever to take place in the United States, using 1,700 tons of explosives.

The engineers blew up part of a mountain near here. The three million tons of earth and stone dislodged by the blast will be used to build a fill replacing a bridge across the Great Salt Lake, on the transcontinental "Southern Pacific" railway line.—France-Press.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Vicksburg, Miss., July 21.

This little community held today its 40th annual "Christmas in July." Carols were sung in all five Protestant churches, and trees were lighted with candles.

The Reverend George Stanford of the First Methodist Church—who started the "Christmas in July" five years ago—said it is Vicksburg's answer to the commercialism connected with the regular Christmas holiday.—United Press.

Church Used As A 'Battleground'—Closed Down

New York, July 21.

A strife-torn Brooklyn Protestant Episcopal Church was shut down today at the end of a service attended by a police squad called in to prevent violence.

The Bishop of Long Island ordered the closing to end the 10-year use of the church as a "battle-ground."

Eighteen Killed FRENCH SURPRISE REBELS

Algiers, July 21.

FRENCH infantrymen trapped a large band of rebels on the northern fringe of the Sahara today and killed 18 in the brief running battle which followed, French officials announced here.

The battle was one of the largest in the relatively quiet past two weeks.

The French troops raced down from the mountains near Fenda to pursue the slow-moving rebel band, spokesmen said. Fenda, 128 miles southeast of Oran, is the last French post on the southern route before the barren wastes of the desert.

CAPTURED

Fifteen of the rebels were captured, the official report said. French losses were not given.

Meanwhile, rebels continued their hit-and-run harassment throughout the blood-soaked country.

At Batna this morning a gunman slipped up behind a local policeman, M. Le Colombe, 53, and killed him with a shot in the back.

Near Bida, rebel gunmen last night killed Georges Chiche, 40, and his wife, 35, as they were out walking.

MERCIFUL

At Colas another shot in the back killed a Moslem cafe owner, Oudad Bouhad, 59, a retired veteran of French military service. And the daily shuttle-bus between Algiers and Larba was stopped between the two cities this morning by a large rebel group which proved more merciful than most. The passengers were ordered off the bus at gunpoint. Then the bus was set on fire. The passengers were left uninjured.

A North African terrorist on a motorcycle threw a grenade into the middle of the Layetye bowling grounds in Oran today, injuring 11 persons in the resulting explosion.

Six of the victims injured by the explosion were taken to hospital. All the injured were Europeans.—France-Press and United Press.

Fellowships For Seato Countries

London, July 22.

Between 10 and 15 grants will be awarded to established scholars of South-East Asia Treaty Organisation's member countries under its fellowship programme for 1957-58, it was announced today.

The selected scholars will carry out research into social, economic, political, cultural, scientific and educational problems. They will try to gauge the present needs and future development of the Seato area. Grants will normally be for between four to 10 months and each Seato fellow will be awarded \$400 a month during his research period.—Reuters.

'Mindy's' To Close

New York, July 21.

"Mindy's" restaurant, teeming in hundreds of Damon Runyon stories, will close on Saturday. It is the original Salvo's on Broadway near 20th Street. Much of its business has been transferred in recent years to a new and larger Salvo's a block away.—United Press.

STUNNED

The man he replaced, the Rev. William Howard Melish, sat in stunned silence through the proceedings. Melish, a former chairman of the National Council of Soviet-American Friendship, has been rebuffed by church officials for his pro-Communist views.

The red sandstone English Gothic buildings then were closed, locked and wired with burglar alarms. They will remain closed until the final outcome of an appeal by Melish to be restored to the pulpit from which he was ousted for his Leftist sympathies.

Melish and his supporters were taken by surprise by the closing of the church and by the harsh words spoken from the pulpit by Siderer in sermon titled "What Religion Does and Demands."

The loyal priest follows his Bishop's Siderer said. "This is a new development," he said of the closing. "Needless to say, I'm surprised, I have no comment."

COURT ORDER

Melish and his wife took Communion from Siderer at today's service but there was little show of friendship between the two men as there was two weeks ago, when Siderer took over the pulpit from Melish under a court order.

It was a pro-Melish parishioner who knocked Siderer down at a coffee hour after church last Sunday. Siderer said he was surprised by the encounter he has been unable to meet to pray since.

The Bishop of Long Island, the Rt. Rev. James P. De Wolfe finally stepped in after pro-Melish forces held a discussion meeting at the church on Friday night while the former head of the Leftwing American Youth Congress was the main speaker.

While 12 plainclothes policemen and a detective sergeant kept vigil at the church at the request of Melish, Siderer read a letter from De Wolfe, authorizing him to close the building.—United Press.

TUNISIA BECOMING A REPUBLIC?

Tunis, July 21.

The political bureau of Tunisia's ruling Neo-Destour party meeting tomorrow is expected to decide to abolish the monarchy and declared the country a republic.

M. Habib Bourguiba, who has been Prime Minister since France gave Tunisia independence two years ago, will preside at the meeting and is universally regarded as the natural choice for President.

His party organ Action said in an editorial yesterday that the dynasty of the 75-year-old Bey of Tunis, the present Monarch, was "a dead tree which the Tunisian people and its leaders are going to uproot."

It said the Constituent Assembly would abolish the monarchy and proclaim a republic this week, adding that this would not be a revolution but merely a regularization of the situation.—Reuters.

ARGENTINA POST FOR MOLOTOV?

London, July 21.

Reports from behind the Iron Curtain gave new strength today to rumours that purged Soviet leader V. M. Molotov may be sent to Argentina as ambassador.

These rumours were said to be circulating in Moscow despite disclaimers from Soviet experts in the West and a fresh attack on the Molotov trio in today's Soviet Press.—United Press.

MOSCOW ROAD

with Pat Smyllie

JUST before the plane took off from London Airport for Berlin, a little man came running up the gangway with a brown-paper bag from a colleague containing food and masses of pills.

I was off at last, pills, bath-plug, and all.

The morning in Berlin was spent rushing around trying to get a map of Poland so I would know exactly where I was going. I had tried the best shops in London before I left, and found it impossible.

Express colleague Andrew Fyall, who had come to Germany to see me off, gave me a very amusing driving lesson before sending me on my way.

I am afraid I am one of those females who are rather inclined to drive three times round Marble Arch before getting into the right stream of traffic.

Now here I was, faced with a car I had never driven before. This was also the first time I had driven on the Continent and motoring on the right-hand side of the road put some heavy difficulties in my way.

My tummy turned over as Andrew explained what went on inside the car. I made it a point usually never to know what is underneath the bonnet. Having to look at a box full of spare parts he had gathered for the journey made me feel quite ill.

I must say with so many things to do I had hardly time to feel sorry for myself or think of the long drive ahead into the unknown.

We left West Berlin, Andrew driving, by the main street where the smart women look so gay in their brightly coloured frocks and golden-brown hair.

THE ROAD FROM BERLIN

I must say driving on the wrong side of the road is terrifying at the beginning.

Andrew and Harry, a German guide, looked pretty grim as they finished taking pictures of me leaving at the Brandenburg Gate. My heart went racing down to my shoes when Andrew said: "Smyllie, I'm afraid you're on your own now."

But Harry, who had a heart of gold, said: "I'll take you as far as I can so that you can get used to manipulating the car on the roads."

So I took over the car for the first time and I cannot describe that awful feeling of nausea that suddenly came over me. It was stifling hot, nearly 91 degrees in the car.

I hadn't driven a car for nearly a year as I didn't have too many opportunities in London and as I took over the British-made Ford Consul with the red leather upholstered seats I felt I had gone back to the first days of my first driving lessons.

I must say driving on the wrong side of the road is simply terrifying at the beginning. Harry kept saying "Go faster, faster," as I went on very slowly at about 10 miles an hour.

Harry left me when we came to the Stalinallee, the road that was to take me to Poland and eventually to Moscow.

Stalinallee is an impressive new road built by the Russians. On either side are numerous blocks of flats built in that yellow brick the cotton millionaires built their palatial houses of outside Manchester.

I first went to a little town called Rudersdorf, then on to Frankfurt-on-Oder. The countryside is simply lovely for those tourists who have made up their minds to follow in my wake.

The roads have not got a very good surface the whole time.

For tourists who are coming this way it is a very good thing to bring plenty of your own food for picnics.

Who! I got to Frankfurt I was so busy negotiating the streets and the traffic that I forgot to fill right up to the top with petrol.

I had had a full tank when I left Berlin, but it is most necessary for tourists to fill up at Frankfurt before going into Poland.

In the Customs house a hot jazz record was playing away as the soldiers stumbled out to look at me and the car.

After a very difficult conversation, as I talk no German or Russian, and they couldn't speak French, we left on the best of terms.

They were all laughing as I went over the bridge which crossed the River Oder to the Polish frontier.

The road to Kostrzyn was pretty grim — that's all I can say for it. In part it wasn't bad, but some of it was just a glorified dirt track and the cobbles were more cobbly.

Convoys of enormous hay carts seemed to take up most of the road. I saw two tractors drawing six hay carts, and I saw two objects which looked rather like Stephenson's Rocket.

Apart from the odd cow or goat that is not suddenly to appear out of nowhere, one can slip along fairly safely.

I had not eaten anything since breakfast that morning. I was feeling so ill with apprehension. So I dined at the side of the road just opposite a lovely place wood on some strawberries. Andrew had given me, some rolls which I had bought, and some lemonade, which usually I loathe but which now seemed like drinking champagne in the Savoy.

THE ROAD TO POZNAN

A kind little man kissed my hand

It was getting dusk and I suddenly realised that I had to get to Poznan if I wanted a bed for the night. But the awful thing was it looked as if my petrol wouldn't last out.

Although the map shows Siewierz, Wierocizna, Palenow, they are tiny places with nothing so civilised as a petrol pump.

I cursed myself as I realised that I had got down to my last gallon. Only one more gallon in addition to a tin in the back of the car. I didn't think I would be able to make Poznan.

Dreadful thoughts began to crowd into my mind as I went carefully along the road to piece together what little I had left. At Wierocizna I stopped and asked for petrol.

No little chap stepped forward and said "Benzine."

For all those would-be travellers the magic word you must remember here is not petrol but benzine.

Then the jolly little chap walked in front of my car to have two petrol pumps. The village came out to have a look, and after a certain amount of talk the chap who works the pumps was got out of his house.

One of the funniest things happened. I looked and looked, but I couldn't see where the petrol was to go in. Andrew hadn't showed me.

I walked round the car, so did the village. Someone lay on the ground and looked underneath the car, others looked on the roof.

Then I remembered the Ford hoodoo which had been thrown into the car. With it I found I had to pull down the number-plate to fill the tank. There was a great cheer from the crowd.

I belted along the road to Poznan 50 miles away, and was stopped outside by an armed guard, who went out of their way to write down the names of the best hotels.

I went silently to the first hotel I saw. There a kind little man who spoke English got me a room and brought a meal, which cost over £1.

It was rather nice as he clicked his heels and kissed my hand as he went out of the room. And so on to Warsaw and the Russian frontier town of Brest-Litovsk, where you catch up with the first part of my story.

POISONED... SHOT... DROWNED... but still they feared him

the uncanny, incredible Rasputin

By RALPH MIDDLETON

THE little boy lay bleeding to death on his sumptuous bed. His mother was on her knees weeping beside him. But even though the child was the son and heir of the Emperor of all the Russians and his mother the Czarina, there was no hope. The little Czarovich was a sufferer of haemophilia (hereditary non-stop and incurable bleeding from any injury). This was the tragic scene that greeted the eyes of Gregory Efimovitch Rasputin. He acted quickly. He ordered everyone in the room onto their knees to pray while he fixed his strange and powerful eyes onto the child.

For a few moments, he kept his eyes on the little boy and then placed his hand on his forehead. The Czarovich gave a little sigh and opened his eyes. Then, instead of being frightened by the crude, peasant-like features of the man who stood over him, the little boy smiled and then turned to his mother. By a miracle, his life had been saved. The haemorrhage stopped, and everyone instinctively knew that the Czarovich was on the road to recovery.

So began the astonishing career of Rasputin, a peasant-monk from Siberia who soon after this astonishing cure began to influence the Czarina with a strange and fateful power, and through her, Czar Nicholas, the Imperial Court and the whole Russian Empire.

Last Days

This was before the First World War when Imperial Russia was moving into its last days. Russia was bleeding to death. But, although Rasputin could cure the Czarovich (and he is reputed to have cured the boy on several more occasions), he could not cure Russia. He internal bleeding. In fact, it seemed as if the "Mad Monk," as he soon came to be called, was stabbing Imperial Russia with even deeper wounds than were the German armies on the Eastern front and the revolutionaries who were preparing to overthrow the Emperor and all he stood for.

While it is true that any mother would be grateful to any man who could save her son's life, this is not enough reason for Rasputin's rapid climb to political power in the Imperial Court. The real reason lay in Rasputin's uncanny powers—not only of healing but of influencing people in an hypnotic manner.

It was through the Czarovich that Rasputin began to cast what can only be called a spell over the Czarina. And from her, it was an easy step to dominate the Czar. In retrospect, one cannot help wondering whether, if the Czar had had better advisers, and had thrown out the sycophants and parasites in his court, the catastrophe of the Russian Revolution would not have been averted—at least for a while. However, on the powerful advice of Rasputin, good men were unseated in the

dinner and fed him on poisoned cakes and wine, which had enough potassium cyanide to kill ten men.

This was when the incredible happened. Apart from a slight tickling at the back of his throat, Rasputin was quite unaffected by the deadly poison!

So, to the next stage of the assassination, Prince Yusouppoff, with a revolver obtained from the Grand Duke Dimitri, killed Rasputin with bullets. Rasputin dropped and appeared to be dead. However, when the Prince bent down to examine the "corpse," it suddenly got up and attacked him with demonic fury. Of this episode, Prince Yusouppoff writes: "I understood and felt in the fullest degree the evil that the devil himself, incarnate in this muzzik (peasant), was holding me in vice-like fingers never to let go."

Battered Down

Rasputin was then battered down, and beaten again and again. He was then bound tightly with ropes and thrown into the freezing River Neva. But even this did not seem to end the life of Rasputin! When his body was recovered from the frozen river three days later, one frozen body worked itself free from the ropes and his lungs were full of water. It seemed, therefore, that in spite of the poison, the bullets and the beating, Rasputin had once again recovered after he had been thrown into the river, and that he had struggled and breathed again. It was for this reason that many people still feared Rasputin and

his strange powers, even after his death.

Count Bobrinsky's comment on this phenomenon is amusing — if that's the right word. The Count was well brought up, and even though he agrees that Rasputin had to go, he declares that "no matter how unpleasant a fellow is, you just don't do that sort of thing—that is, poison, shoot, batter and drown him in a frozen river."

Prince Yusouppoff, Rasputin's killer, is still alive today. Part of his income comes from the three books he has written on Rasputin and the aristocratic life in pre-revolutionary Russia. The Prince lives in a Paris suburb—a tall, distinguished man who calls to pray with the sick in a Paris suburb. The Prince says that "I once had power through witchcraft, but now I have found new power through prayer."

He gets up every morning at 6 a.m. to start on his rounds of prayer visits to the sick. "I have always been interested in healing by prayer," says the 60-year-old Prince. In this, he was not very different from the man he assassinated 40 years ago. The Prince still thinks he was right in killing Rasputin. Count Bobrinsky, he says, says that he doubts if the killing did anyone any good. "It was in defiance of Royal wishes and only undermined the authority of Czar Nicholas."

Rasputin's death did not end the magic in the Imperial Court, and for this reason his death was probably in vain. The Revolution in 1917 was to destroy the whole royal household and everything that Imperial Russia stood for, and the Czar and his family were to die

miserably in the cellar of Ekaterinberg.

The secret of Rasputin's strange and secret powers is still unknown today. All we do know is that he was a remarkably strong man with even more remarkable endurance, and that he undoubtedly possessed hypnotic gifts that enable him not only to control the Czarina and the Czar but also to cure the Czarovich's fatal haemophilia.

Not very much of Rasputin's background is known. He was born in 1871 in the province of Tobolsk, in Siberia. He married a girl from his own village and had two children. He was a peasant and was unable to read. It was in 1904 that he saw the light and decided to become a man of God.

Anastasia

According to his daughter, Anastasia saw a vision of the Holy Virgin when he was ploughing, and that the Virgin had directed him to become a leader of men and a seeker after righteousness.

After this Rasputin went to Kiev where he was discovered chopping wood in the monastery of St. Michael by the Grand Duchesses Anastasia and Maria, who were there on a pilgrimage. Fascinated by Rasputin's hypnotic eyes, they talked to him. It was then that they learned he could cure the sick by prayer, and it was on their instigation that he was brought to Moscow to heal the Czarovich.

Missing from home —one cheeky baby

I RECENTLY came across a theory that tits tap on I windows because they see their reflections and peck angrily at what they believe is a hated rival. I do not agree at all.

In winter, when birds are dependent on us for their food a tit will always peck for our attention as soon as the dish is empty; once it has been replenished, the tapping stops.

Often on a cold winter morning they will tap peevishly on the bedroom windows as they think that their breakfast is late.

From an early age these brave little birds believe themselves to be the lords of creation.

The other day a baby blue tit just able to fly deliberately charged my younger son Philip and hung grimly to his pullover. Transferred to a finger, it stood there with legs wide apart, chest stuck out, mouth wide open like an opera star.

We offered it a morsel of green pea which it spurned, but fresh liver, cut into minute shavings was greedily engulfed.

Thinking its parents might be getting anxious, we started looking for its nest. But which one?

Our grey stone home is built into the hillside in a series of the kitchen door.

Up-country by THURLOW CRAIG

We hung the baby tit into the air with a blessing. It made a clumsy sweep and landed heavily on Philip's stomach, hanging by its claws and cursing him shrilly.

We launched it again. This time it circled, came in to land on my shoulder, overshot and panicked heavily, still muttering. We inserted it into the knothole of the nearest tree and it was immediately ejected with a chorus of furious yells.

Graping, we faced the possibility of having yet another pet lost on us.

I put it on my shoulder while busy with my camera. Then it flew off with a valedictory peep and disappeared with unerring aim into a hitherto unsuspected nest.

We listened to a barrage of clicks and squeaks while (presumably) the parents were dusting its tail for going out unaccompanied at so tender an age.



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CRAIGENGOWER WERE FULL VALUE FOR THEIR 5-0 TRIUMPH OVER RECREIO "Toucher" On Saturday's League Bowls

Craigengower Cricket Club pulled off their greatest win in the First Division of the Lawn Bowls League this season when they handed Recreio, the Championship favourites, a crushing 5-0 defeat on Saturday.

As a result of this victory by the Valley club and also that of Indian Recreation Club "Blues" on the same day over Kowloon Cricket Club, the race for the First Division title has now developed into a three-way affair among Craigengower Cricket Club, Indian Recreation Club "Blues" and Recreio, with Kowloon Dock Club and Kowloon Cricket Club remaining just within striking distance.

Chances for the three title-contending teams of winning the Championship have now swung mightily in favour of Indian Recreation Club "Blues", who will have three of their remaining matches played on their home green.

Having beaten Craigengower Cricket Club twice and won one of their two matches played against Kowloon Cricket Club, their only tough remaining assignment is against Recreio, against whom they will have green advantage.

Although IRC "Gold" scored an upset 4-1 win over the "Blues" in the first round, it is not likely that they will offer any opposition on their present form against the "Blues" in the return match and, barring possible upsets by Kowloon Dock Club and Kowloon Bowling Green Club, the IRC "Blues" are well set to win the title should they beat Recreio in the return encounter by a 4-1 margin.

HAPPY POSITION

Craigengower Cricket Club are also in a happy position in the number of home matches, of which they will have three out of four. They will, however, have two tough assignments in their remaining matches—one against KCC and the other against Recreio—but confidence

will be on their side as both these games will be played on their home green and as they have already defeated both these opponents in their first round games.

Against IRC "Gold" they should have little difficulty in collecting four points, and maximum five points, and in the first round, it is very doubtful if the Dockmen can repeat that performance against the improved Valley squad.

Recreio, who are one and a half points behind the present League leaders, Craigengower Cricket Club, seem to be in the most unfavourably placed position among the three contending teams.

Four out of their five remaining matches will be away games, and among the five they still have to contend with Kowloon Cricket Club, Indian Recreation Club "Blues", and Craigengower Cricket Club, all on away greens, not to mention Kowloon Dock Club and Kowloon Bowling Green Club, both of which are capable of producing upset wins.

Craigengower Cricket Club were full value for their 5-0 triumph on Saturday. Both teams conceded the margin of penalty of playing on the for-

ena KBCG green, but the Recreio bowlers were unfortunate to be the heavier losers in this respect as they not only fell victims to the slightly superior form of their opponents but also equally as much to the intricacies of the green which the Valley club bowlers were quicker to adapt themselves to.

FRONT WEAKNESS

On all three rinks the Recreio front men were never able to produce anywhere near their best form and it was this superiority of the front men enjoyed by the Craigengower bowlers that gave them their maximum win. Only the three Recreio skips, Raoul Luz, Camille Pereira, and A. A. Lopes, played their usual game and stood between their team and a bigger margin of defeat.

Although not the best game from the point of view of standard of bowls produced, the most interesting match was seen on the No. 2 rink, where the hitherto unbeaten Recreio four of R. X. M. Silva, E. M. Alarcón, J. E. Noronha and R. F. Luz went down in their first defeat of the season to the CCC four of W. C. Young, R. Tay, C. C. Ma and S. L. Leonard.

The Recreio four took a flying start with two lucky shots by skip Raoul Luz. On the second head, with his opponents lying a single slightly in front of the jack, and his side lying three seconds, Luz took a heavy drive to take away the first shot. He got the wood, with a well-executed shot, that was worth a count of four, but was lucky at the same time to take the jack back to chalk up a count of seven.

On the sixth head, his opponents were lying three when Luz again took a heavy drive. This time he was about a yard on the narrow side, but was lucky to hit one of his own side-woods, which in turn deflected the jack backwards and to one side to give him a count of four.

By the end of this head the Recreio four had already taken a 14-2 lead.

STEADY BOWLING

Steady bowling by the Craigengower front men, and especially some very good shots by their No. 3, C. C. Ma, enabled the Craigengower four to chalk up two successive wins and a three to narrow the gap to 9-14. On the next head skip Leonard came into his own when he pushed through an opposing third shot and promoted two of his own woods to chalk up a count of six.

From then on there was a ding-dong tussle until the score reached 19-18 in favour of the CCC four on the 17th head. A single and a two put them to 22-18. On the remaining heads the Recreio four managed to tally only two singles to lose their first game of the season by 20-22.

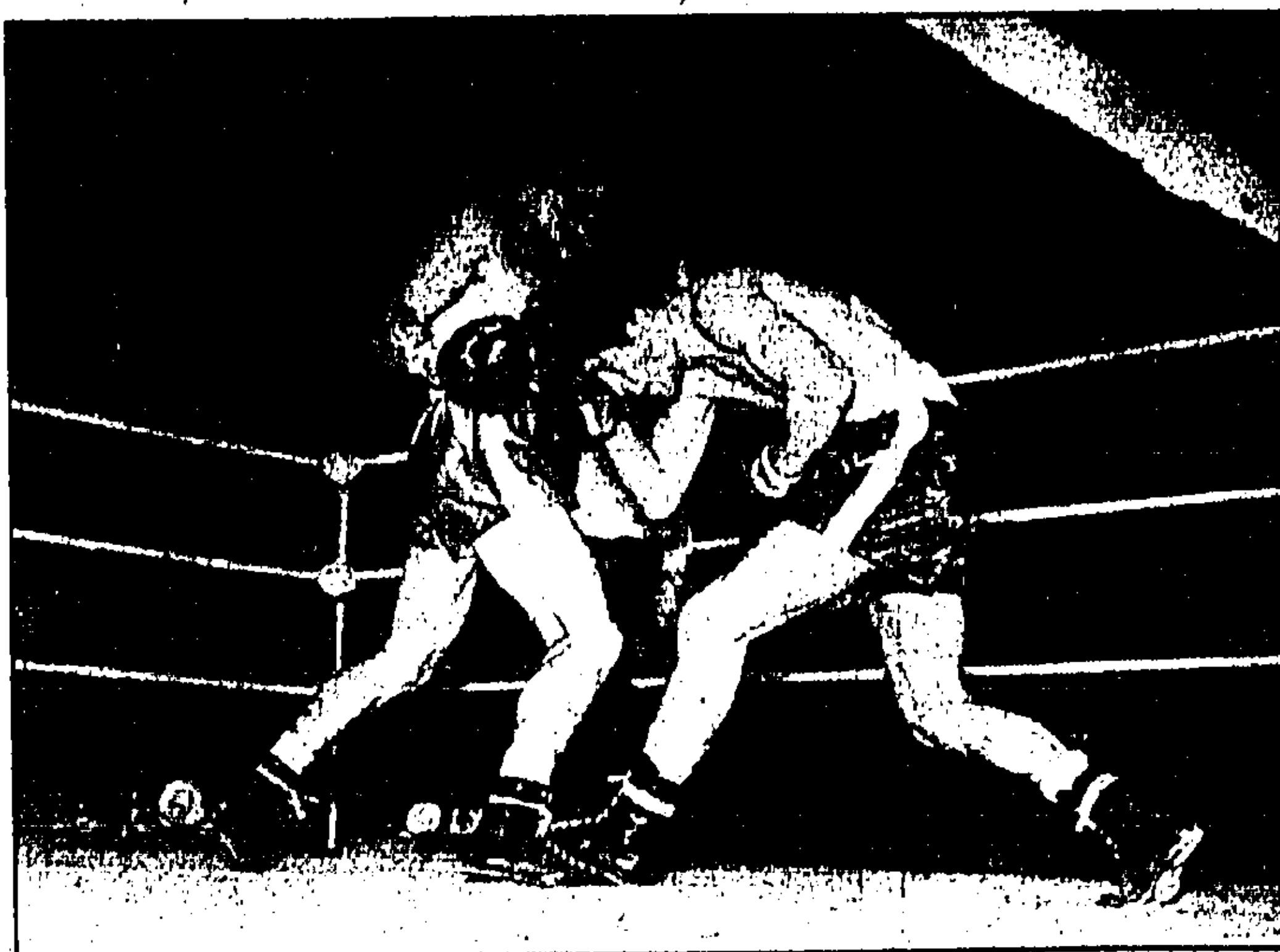
On the other rink the CCC four of F. Lee, E. G. Barros, C. A. Souza and A. E. Coates laid all the CCC four to rest. Recreio's A. P. Pereira, L. M. Rodrigues, J. F. V. Ribeiro and C. C. Pereira to win by 22-19.

Consistent bowling by the three front men, especially F. Lee and G. A. Souza, laid the foundation of the CCC four's win and, but for some very fine bowling by skip C. C. Pereira, the score would have been much bigger.

Despite a 20-13 lead enjoyed by Coates up to the 18th head, the Recreio four had a golden opportunity of snatching a win on the 19th head. They were lying a probable six when skip Pereira, in trying to draw in the seventh shot, trailed the jack a little bit to chalk up only four shots. The CCC four made sure of victory with a two on the next head, and were content to limit the opposing score to two on the final head to win by 22-19.

The Valley club were up on two rinks and five shots on the aggregate at this stage, but the match was not over yet. On the third rink the Recreio four of J. A. Luz, C. E. Rozz-Pereira, L. F. Xavier and A. A. Lopes, after trailing behind by 10-18 on the 11th head, and 13-24 on the 14th head, rallied by scoring 13 shots on five successive heads to lead 26-24 on the 19th

TOWEEL KEEPS HIS EMPIRE TITLE



Willie Toweel of South Africa (right), the British Empire Lightweight Champion, bodes into challenger Dave Charnley of Dartford, the British Champion, as he successfully defends his title at the Empress Hall, Earl's Court, London, on July 9. Toweel won on points over 15 rounds.—Reuterphoto.

Sports Diary

TODAY

Ladies' "A" Tennis: SCAA v KCC; CRC v USBC.
Water-Polo: Civilian League Group "A": South China v Royal Navy (Navy Pool) 5:30 p.m.; RAF v Eastern AA (RAF) 7:15 p.m.
Hockey: HKR "A" v HKRTU (Victoria Pool) 5 p.m.; HKR "B" v RASC (Victoria Pool) 5:30 p.m.
Water-Polo Sub-Committee Meeting, Shell House, 5:30 p.m.
ACF and OC Meeting: SCM Post Board Room, 5:30 p.m.

FINISHING TOUCH

Three shots up only on the aggregate and two heads still to go, the Valley club four put in the finishing touch, however, on the 20th head.

C. K. Sung, W. C. Ogley and G. Hong Choy each drew a close shot round the jack. L. F. Xavier was unlucky to be about a yard short with his last wood to provide a blocker for the opposing side and skip Lopes failed to break through the front woods. A single on the last head by the CCC four ended the match with a 5-0 win for the Valley club.

In the other important First Division match at Sookunpoo, Kowloon Cricket Club held the advantage in the first half of the game but tailed off to a very weak finish to lose to IRC "Blues" by 4-1.

The KCC four of J. Tang, J. Chubb, T. E. Baker and W. Hong Sling enjoyed a 10-0 lead over J. M. A. Ramjahan, S. Bucks, J. Hosen and A. K. Minu on the 19th head, but fell off badly on the next five heads to lose no fewer than 10 shots and never recovered after a 19-10 lead by 13-20.

Likewise, the KCC four of W. Baker, D. C. Symons, A. M. Alves and J. E. Duffield, tried their own 9-11 on the 11th head when they too broke down. A four and a two enabled the IRC four to jump ahead to 17-9. The KCC four fought back spiritedly to 16-19 on the 18th head, only to lose a five, a seven and a single on the last three heads.

Ironically enough, on paper the weakest KCC four—S. Y. Doe, C. I. Stapleton, M. J. Divercha and F. R. Kerman—were responsible for the only point earned by the KCC club against what was conceded the strongest IRC four of J. Aekber, O. R. Sadiq, A. M. Omar and U. A. Ramjahan.

UNLUCKY TO LOSE

In the Second Division, Craigengower Cricket Club lost off badly on the head of the League table with three more wins during the week, all

EUROPEAN ZONE DAVIS CUP

Swedes Boycott Banquet Given By Italian Lawn Tennis Association

Milan, July 21. Sweden, beaten 3-1 by Italy here today in the European Zone semi-final of the Davis Cup, refused to play the last singles as a protest against line decisions in an earlier match.

And the Swedes also boycotted a banquet given tonight by the Italian Lawn Tennis Federation.

A DENIAL

Dr Tolusso, President of the Italian LTA, said tonight: "I am profoundly grieved and upset by the attitude assumed by the captain of the Swedish team."

The Swedish Captain, Mr. Rohlsson, who did not play in the tie, led his team out of the stadium after Italy gained a 3-1 victory when Nicola Pietrangeli beat Ulf Schmidt 7-9, 6-6, 6-3, 6-2.

by 4-1 margins against HKCC, KCC and FC "Blues".

The FC "Blues" came very near to handing the Valley club their first defeat yesterday and were a little unlucky to lose on the aggregate by three shots. A tie would have been a fair result.

On the last head A. Souza's Filipe Club four could have probably cut down the margin of defeat to 19-24 instead of 18-25. He was lying a probable shot when he turned an opposing wood in for the shot. This would have given the Valley club only a two shot lead on the aggregate by the time the last head of the match was played off.

R. Bago's four finished up with a 19-15 win over J. W. Leonard's four and on the third head of the North American Zone of the Davis Cup when they defeated Canada in their first round here today.

Carlos Fernandez, 19-year-old Brazilian, playing in his first Davis Cup tournament, clinched the tie by beating Don Fontana 6-3, 6-3, 10-8 to give Brazil a 3-1 winning lead.

In the semi-finals, Brazil will meet Israel, who are also playing in the North American Zone this year, for the right to meet the United States in the Zone final.

Paul Willey won the final singles for Canada, beating the Brazilian reserve, Jose Aguiar, 6-3, 6-3, 4-6, 6-3.

The tie ended 3-2 in Brazil's favour.—Reuter.

BULGARIA BEATEN

London, July 21. The Soviet Union beat Bulgaria 4-0 in a full international football match in Sofia today, according to Moscow radio.—Reuter.

Hongkong Softball Season Starts In September

The Hongkong Softball Association announces that the 1957/58 softball season will commence during September, 1957 and entry to the various leagues is now open.

All entries should be sent to the Hon. Secretary, Hongkong Softball Association, c/o P. O. Box 1027, H.K. The application for entry should state clearly the manager of the team and should also indicate the mailing address of this official.

In connection with the above please take note of the terms and conditions governing entry:—

1. Entries close on Friday, August 23, 1957 after which date no further applications can be entertained.

2. Entry fees per team remain unchanged.

3. All players must be registered on the Association's official form (countersigned by the Manager of the team). The necessary forms can be obtained on application to the Hon. Secretary.

4. All fees must be paid in advance to the Hon. Treasurer of the Association, Mr. Mark Kwong, Room 104 Edinburgh House, HK before the closing date.

5. The Manager of each team must submit to the Hon. Secretary the names and addresses of three (3) umpires and one (1) scorer who will officiate at games whenever appointed. All umpires and scorers will receive remuneration for services. Apart from registered players, anyone else who is interested in umpiring or scoring may apply to the Hon. Secretary for enrolment.

Classes to be conducted by the Umpires-in-Chief/Scorers - in-Chief will commence shortly.

6. The Official Opening Day is scheduled for Sunday, September 15, 1957 at the Association's ground, King's Park, Kowloon at 2.00 p.m.

David Sheppard Available For Fourth And Fifth Tests

London, July 21. The return of Peter Loader to the Test scene is the only modest surprise provided by the England selectors in naming the 12 players from whom the team will be chosen for the Fourth Test match against the West Indies at Leeds next Thursday.

In the absence of Brian Statham, who failed a Test on his bruised left heel yesterday, Loader wins the vote over Frank Tyson for the vacant fast-bowling spot. Neither Loader nor Tyson has played for England since the last Test in South Africa last winter.

Also recalled is the Reverend David Sheppard who, as against Australia last summer, will be available for the Fourth and Fifth Tests.

As his Sussex opening partner, Don Smith, is retained, the unlucky batsman out is young Dick Richardson, who made his Test debut at Trent Bridge earlier this month.

SIX SPECIALISTS

The selectors have adhered to their customary formula of six specialist batsmen, four specialist bowlers and the two "indispensables", Trevor Bailey and Geoffrey Evans. The big question, of course, arises on Thursday morning—who shall be discarded—a batsman or a bowler.

After the experience of Trent Bridge, where Tony Lock was omitted and the subsequent breakdown of Bailey left captain May with only three left first line bowlers, the axe is more likely to fall this time on a batsman.

After his failures in the Lord's and Nottingham Tests, the left-handed Smith appeared certain to lose his place but he has earned a reprieve with three fine innings in the past week.

Sheppard, whose clerical duties kept him out of regular first class cricket until last week, has so far been less impressive though he made a top score of 55 in a recent representative game.—France-Press.

TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

Pancho Gonzales Whips Rookie Lew Hoad In Their First Meeting

Forest Hills, July 21. Pancho Gonzales further cemented his title of World Professional Tennis King today by beating rookie pro Lew Hoad of Australia, 9-7, 6-4, 3-6, 6-3, in their first meeting.

Pancho didn't need this one to collect top singles prize of \$2,500 and the title in Jack Kramer's \$10,000 Tournament of Champions. He clinched those yesterday when he defeated Pancho Segura as Hoad bowed to Tony Trabert.

Still, this was the "big" match of the tournament, an advance tip-off on how Hoad would fare against the big Californian when they opened their tour next January in Australia.

The 20-year-old Gonzales notched five straight singles triumphs in this tourney despite a blistered finger and aching wisdom tooth. He took Hoad in stride like everybody else, but he had to come up with some real fancy tennis in the process. Hoad, 22-year-old Wimbledon victor who signed with promoter Jack Kramer for \$125,000, couldn't match Gonzales' power in the clinches. He had plenty of vocal support from the 4,700 customers, but the American had the winning shots.

QUESTIONABLE CALL

If Hoad had taken the first set, he might have gone all the way. But Pancho broke him in the 15th game and then held him in the 16th. In the second set a break by Pancho in the fifth proved the clincher. A questionable call by a linesman upset Hoad considerably.

Hoad hit a red-hot streak in the last three games of the third, forcing Gonzales into repeated errors for a break in the eighth. But he wasn't up to the game performance in the fourth, mainly because Gonzales lifted the tempo of his own game.

The match produced some of the finest forcing tennis these historic courts have seen in a

Israel Will Play Indonesia On Neutral Ground

Jerusalem, July 21.

The Israeli Football Association is willing to play Indonesia on neutral territory, it was learned today.

Israel has accepted Indonesia's suggestion put forward to have that Moslem government embarrasment, that the Israeli team not play in Djakarta. Neutral sites suggested included Hongkong, Colombia, Bombay or Rome.—United Press.

Two Soviet Pole Vaulters Break National Mark

Milan, July 21.

Two Soviet athletes today beat the Soviet national pole vault record with leaps of 4.70 metres. (14 feet 9 3/4 inches). Tass news agency reported.

The performance, very set up by Vladimir Bulatov of Minsk and Vitaly Chernobay of Lvov.

The previous Soviet record stood at 4.46 metres.—France-Press.

GREAT NAMES IN THE FIELD OF LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

KATHERINE DUNHAM
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THE GAMBOLES



Germany Beats Hungary At Swimming

Reutlingen, July 21. Germany defeated Hungary by 140 points to 95 in their two-day swimming meet here today.

In a 50-metre open air pool, Urfel Brunner of Heidelberg set up a new German record for the women's 100 metres free style with 1 minute, 5.5 seconds today. The former record was 1 minute, 0.1 seconds.

Here, Weber set up a new German record for the men's 200 metres butterfly stroke with 2 minutes, 25.7 seconds (former record 2 minutes, 20.5 seconds).—France-Press.

GERMAN GOLF TITLE FOR WEETMAN

Wes Germany, July 21. Harry Weetman, the British Ryder Cup player, won the German Open Golf Championship here today with a magnificent final round of 66—a career record—to give him a total of 270.

Gary Player, of South Africa, and Peter Thomson, of Australia, were second on 281.

Player, who led throughout, had rounds of 74 and 69 today and Thomson recorded 70 and 68.—Reuter.

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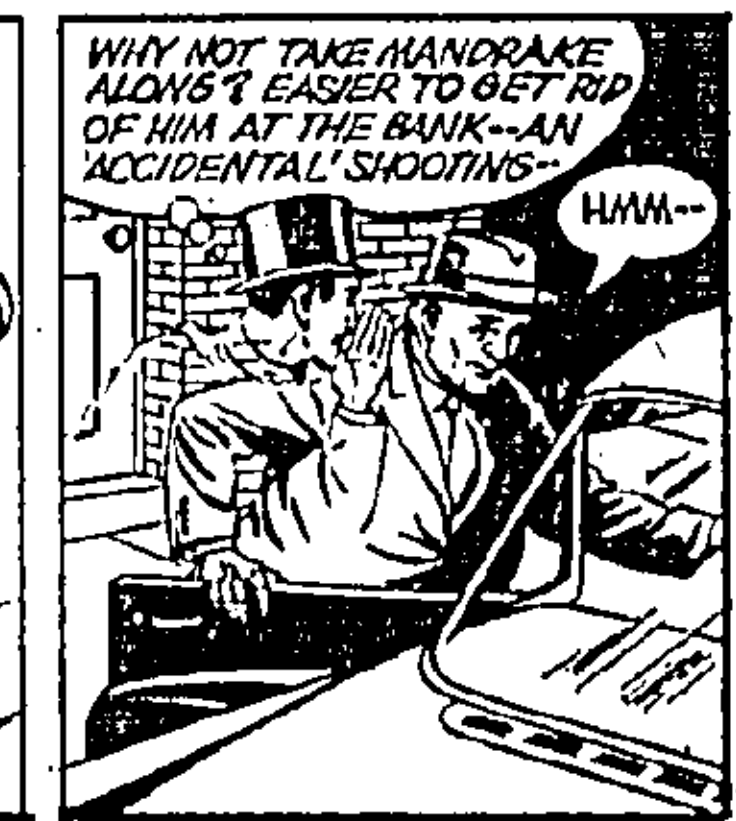
Kluang, July 21. The visiting Kowloon Motor Bus soccer team of Hongkong, playing under extremely wet conditions, beat a Kluang district XI, 5-1, to-day.

This was the visitors' 13th match of their current tour. They have won ten games, drawn once and been beaten once. This was the last match of their Federation visit and they will begin a three-game series in Singapore on Wednesday.—Reuter.

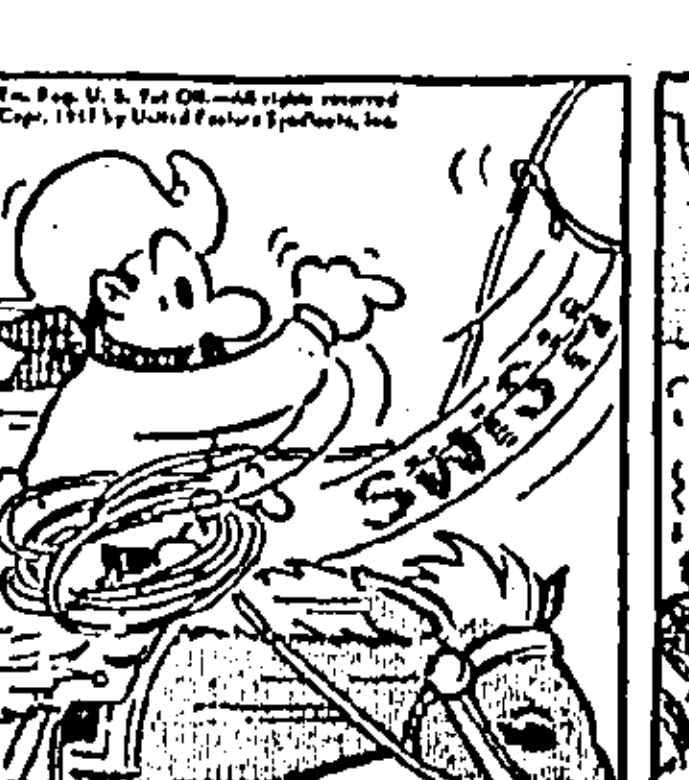
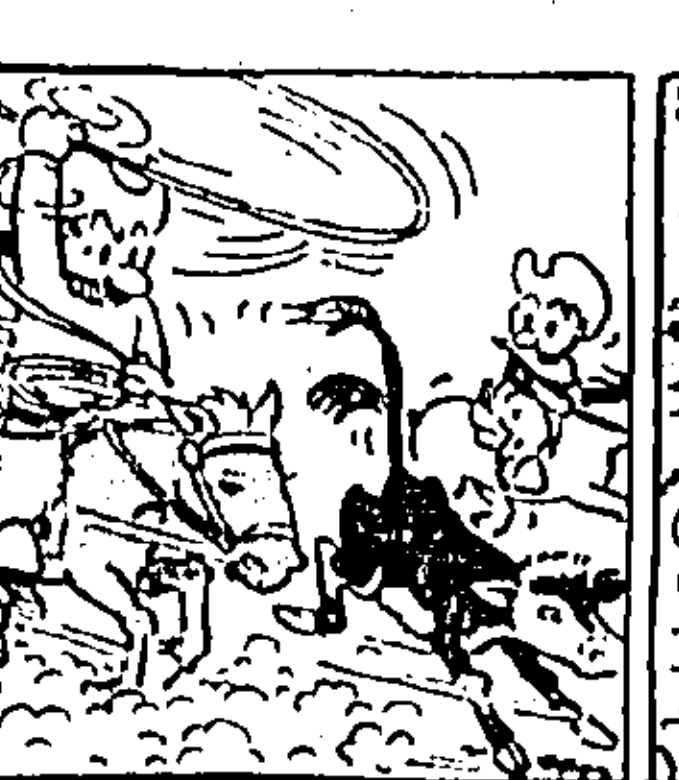
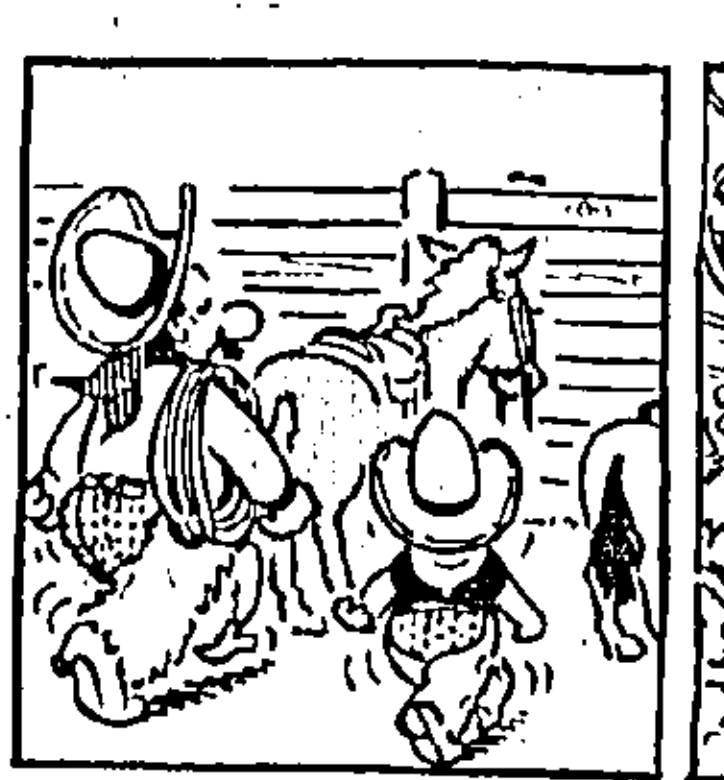
Liberation Shield

The second round of the Liberation Shield match between the KCC and KBGC will be played on Monday, 5th August, at the KBGC, commencing at 4 p.m. sharp. Members of the KCC wishing to participate, if selected, are requested to sign the list posted in the Club not later than July 30.

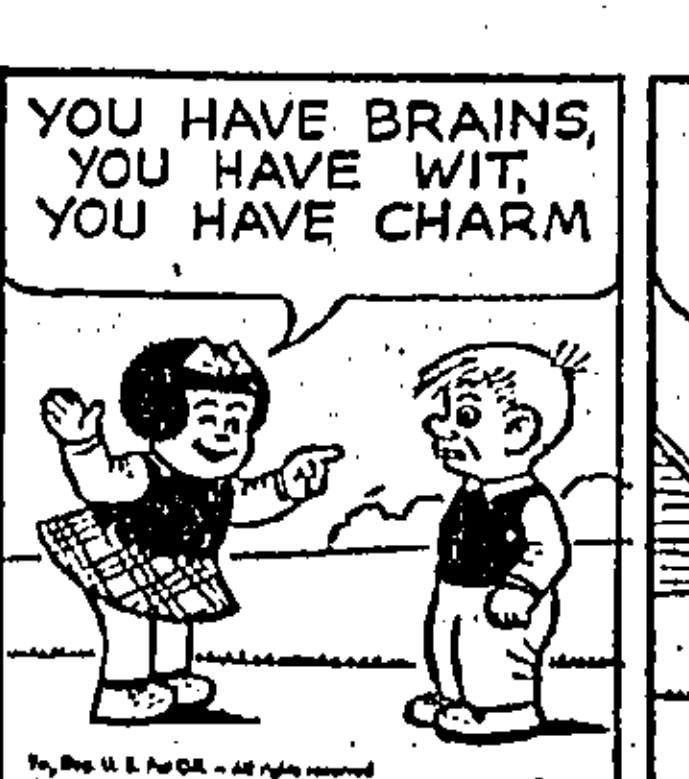
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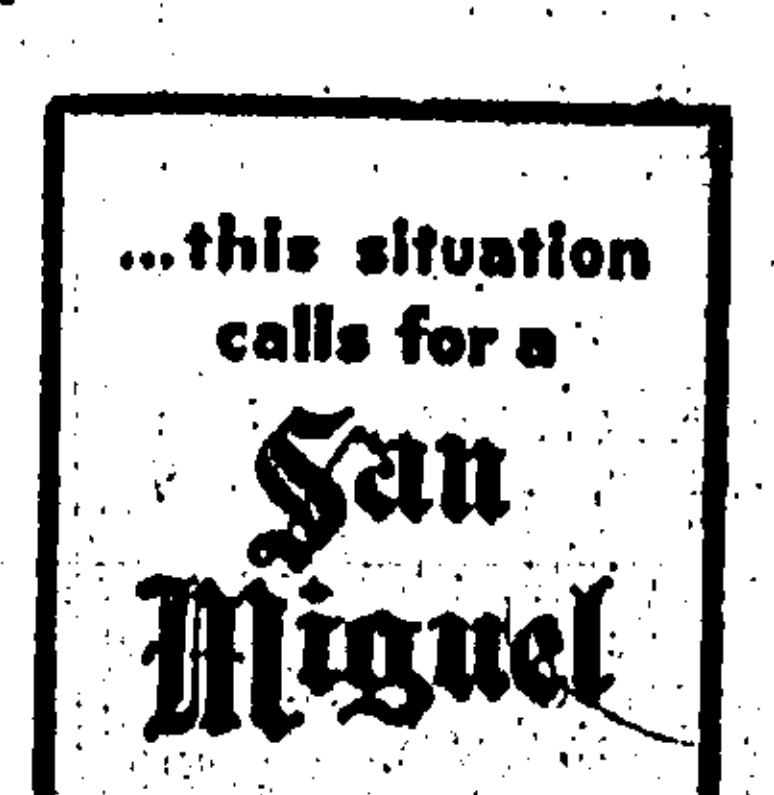
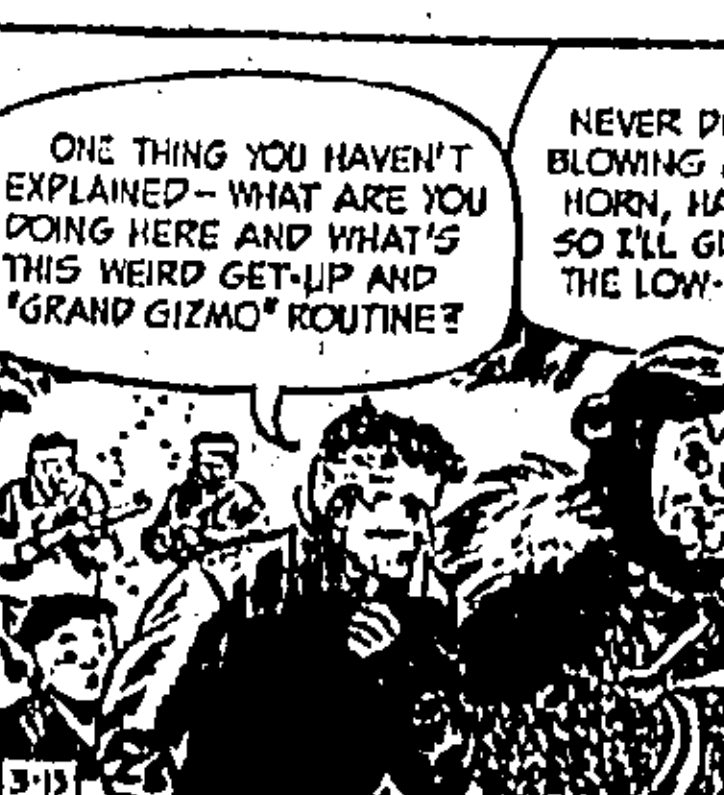
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PGA GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

Chubby Lionel Hebert Fulfills Boyhood Dream By Winning Pro Title

Ohio, July 21. Chubby Lionel Hebert, a long ball better from the bayous who never wanted to be anything but a golf pro, realised his boyhood dreams today as he downed Ohioan Dow Finsterwald 2 and 1 to win the PGA Golf Championship.

Twenty years ago, when he was a big-eyed boy of nine, Lionel began playing golf with a bent-up driver belonging to his 14-year-old brother Jay. And that was the big club in his shiny new set today as he clipped six strokes off par to fatten his 27-year-old rival from Athens, Ohio.

It was a big day, even if in the steaming 90s, as the hard-hitting longshot captured one of golf's most coveted prizes over the rolling acres of Miami Valley Golf Club. While he was picking up the \$9,000 top prize, his big brother Jay, with whom he first started hitting golf balls back in their native Lafayette, Louisiana, was beating veteran Charley Sheppard of West Newton, Massachusetts, 5 and 3, to gain seventh place money of \$1,500.

Defeated semi-finalist Walt Burkemo, downed Don Whit 3 and 1 for third place money. Claude Harmon, recalled fifth place to the Open king, Dick Mayer, because of his wife's illness.

THE BIG MATCH

But the big match, the one which had most of the crowd of 6,000 trailing breathlessly in their wake despite the scorching heat and high humidity, was the one between the stubby 185-pound Southerner and his wiry, thin-faced rival.

"Golly, but I'm nervous," confessed the handsome Hebert as they unflinchingly shook hands on the first tee.

"No, too," admitted his 27-year-old opponent.

They showed it, too, as they sprayed their opening drives far into the rough. But from there on they forgot their grin and their jitters as they engaged in a par-busting duel.

The first eight money-winning positions decided today in the PGA Golf Championship were: 1. Lionel Hebert, Lafayette, Louisiana, \$9,000.

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis

Althea Gibson Repeats Wimbledon Conquest

Illinois, July 21. Althea Gibson today became the first negro to win a major tennis title in the United States by repeating her Wimbledon conquest of Darlene Hard, 6-2 and 6-3, to capture the National Clay Courts Women's Singles crown.

Earlier, Vic Seixas of Philadelphia won the Men's Singles title with a 1-6, 6-0, 6-1, 6-3 comeback from behind triumph over Herb Flam of Beverly Hills, California, who had sought a second consecutive Clay Court Singles crown. It was Seixas' second clay court title, which he won in 1953.

Miss Gibson, daughter of a Harlem garage man, completely overpowered her Montebello opponent with blazing serves and tremendous place shots that kept Miss Hard vainly chasing around the court.

Miss Hard, 20, jumped to a short-lived lead in the first set with a first game win but Miss Gibson collected four before Miss Hard scored another win.

Then Miss Gibson, 29, grim and apparently emotionless while in action, smashed home the two final game wins for a 6-2 first set victory.

Miss Hard again started in front, winning the first two games of the second set, using a magnificent backhand that brought raves from an enthusiastic crowd estimated at nearly 5,000 persons.

However, Miss Hard had double-fault trouble throughout both sets. Miss Gibson took five straight games before Miss Hard made the score 5-3 in the second set. The slim Harlem girl, who learned to play tennis with wooden paddles, then scored a final win for set and match by calling a corner shot inches beyond the outstretched racket of the loser.—United Press.

WORLD ARCHERY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Prague, July 21. The United States won the men's and women's individual and team events of the World Archery Championships which ended here today.

O. K. Smathers won the men's event with 2,231 points and Karel Meinhart won the women's event with 2,120 points.—France-Press.

AROUND HOLLYWOOD

HIMALAYAN SUN BEAR GETS PAID TO DANCE WITH YUL BRYNNER

By RON BURTON

Hollywood. Big Dora gets paid \$125 a day to dance with Yul Brynner. This may seem incredible to the thousands of females who write to him and would be in ecstasy if they could dance with him—at no charge, either.

A factor that makes the situation even more shocking to Brynner's fans is that Big Dora doesn't even dance well. In fact, her walk, gait and polka are mediocre at best. Of course, Big Dora is a little handicapped in that she weighs 100 pounds.

The truth is that big Dora is a 10-year-old Himalayan sun bear who is practically a California native. She was brought here at the age of two months from her native India.

Brynner's dancing partner in MGM's "The Brothers Karamazov" has other intriguing statistics. She's six-foot-two in her bare feet, eats 40 pounds of food each day, sleeps on a feather mattress and can do things like cuddle, play dead and dance—particularly if there's a bottle of pop in sight at the end of her routine.

NO ROCK 'N' ROLL

She has an impressive list of co-stars. Her film wrestling opponents have included John Wayne, Andy Devine, Roy Rogers and Joel McCrea. With Brynner her big effort is a polka.

Her owner-trainer, Byron Nelson, said he recently tried to expand her field of dance steps to take in rock 'n' roll. "After all, every girl should have the chance of keeping up to date," Nelson said.

However, it didn't work out. Big Dora just couldn't dig the stuff, but she warmed up to Desi Arnaz in a time flat. In one scene, for example, she and Brynner knock off a few toasts in a Russian village tavern of the 1870s and conclude the scene with a swirl around the room.

Music for this dance is supplied by a gypsy violin trio. Muscular power is supplied by Big Dora, who looms around the interior with Brynner in her arms.

Nelson said Big Dora's wages aren't bad at all, especially since he bought her as a cub for \$350 and she is now one of Hollywood's biggest four-footed breadwinners.

"It's a bear living, anyhow," he said, with apology.

The thing that's really missing in Hollywood these days is glamour—the kind of glamour that made stars seem unlike ordinary mortals—according to Charles Schnee, the film producer who signs when he recalls the good old days and burns when he thinks about scandal magazines.

But Schnee said that recalling the good old days is one thing and living in them is another. The successful film-maker these days is aware of trends and never stops wondering if his analysis is correct.

"The tendency is to blame television for the loss of this great aura of glamour we once had all over our place here," Schnee said. "That's not really fair. You can blame lots of things—scandal magazines, for example."

"The important thing is that stars are now everyday mortals in the eyes of the public. They've lost the appeal they once had which brought people into box offices with a very pleasant frequency."

HE HOPES

"Personal appearances have been overdone. The closest a fan gets to a star's more real and less ethereal star becomes. Why, in the old days

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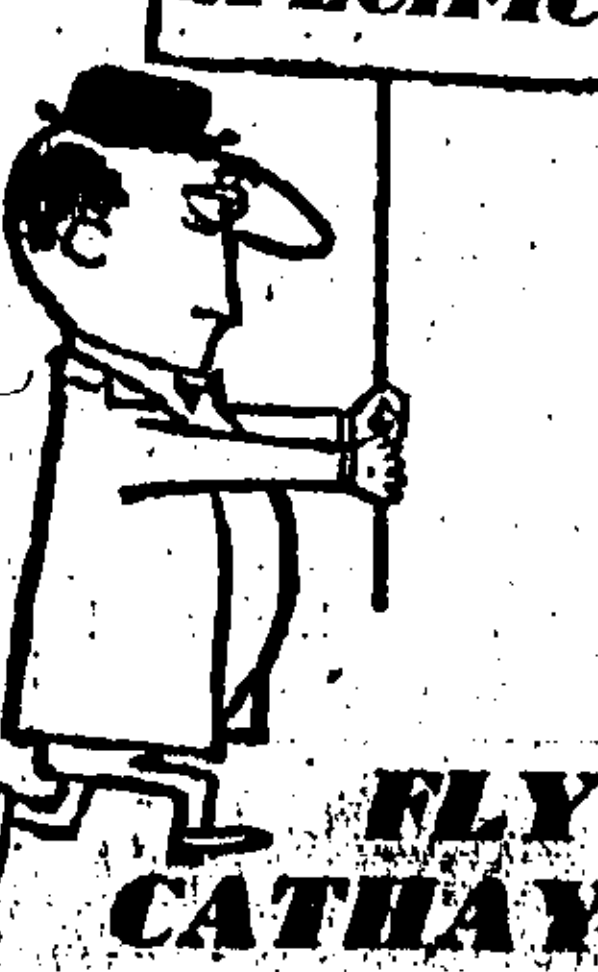
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UP GO RICE PRICES IN HK BUT

There's No Cause For Alarm, Says Government

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The colony imports about 60 per cent of its rice from Thailand.

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Local prices have increased by five cents per catty for all grades since the end of June. "There are ample stocks in the Colony," said Mr. Cater. And even if the prices continued to be high indefinitely, importers here could find other sources of supplies, such as Cambodia, North Vietnam, Burma, China and even Australia.

The increase in the Hong Kong price was because of the corresponding increase in the FOB price in Thailand which had increased gradually during the last three to four weeks, said Mr. Cater.

NO DANGER

Any danger of "holding back sales to manipulate the market?"
 "No," said Mr. Cater. "By arrangements with importers we can ensure that there is no holding back."
 At present rice is imported by 30 licensed importers who in turn sell it to wholesalers who in turn sell it to retailers. Mr. Cater also said the quota of imports from Thailand had been constant.

Local importers said the price per picul of grade 1 rice from Thailand had been increased by \$7, and for poorer grades by \$5.

THE REASON WHY

The Thai Trade Commissioner in Hong Kong, Kob Khong Khul when contacted said he had not received any direct information from Bangkok concerning the rice situation there. He did not know whether any measures had been taken to suspend export.

He explained that Thailand had a surplus of 1,400,000 tons of rice each year. Any shortage could only be temporary. Most of the rice for export had to be collected from the provinces, and transported by waterways, not by land, to the Port of Bangkok for shipment overseas, he explained.

The drought had possibly dried up the shallow waterways thereby making it impossible for bigger vessels to go inland, he said.

He added that the wet season should have started in mid-July and would end in October, which should bring some relief.

ACQUITTED OF RECEIVING

A Jury at the Criminal Sessions this morning formally acquitted a young woman charged with receiving part of \$3,070 worth of stolen jewellery. The crown offered no evidence against her.

The woman, Chan Yuk-lin, denied three charges accusing her of receiving a gold wrist watch, three gold rings, a brooch, four pairs of earrings and 18 Australian coins. These articles were part of the loot of a cat-burglar, Chan Wah, who was given five years by Mr Justice A.D. Scholes last Friday.

Jane Roberts tells you... What's On Tonight

HOOVER and LIBERTY: "Designing Woman": Career girl Lauren Bacall marries newspaperman Gregory Peck and the fight is on. With Dolores Gray and Sam Levene.
KING'S and PRINCESS: "Public Figure Number One": A Red Skelton comedy with Janet Blair and Vivian Blaine.
METROPOLE and STAR: "Istanbul": Diamond smuggling and dalliance in Turkey. Errol Flynn, Cornell Borchers, Torin Thatcher.
QUEEN'S and ALHAMBRA: "A Cry in the Night": A thriller. Edmond O'Brien, Natalie Wood, Brian Donlevy.
ROXY and BROADWAY: "Sea Wife": Three men in a boat plus a girl seem to be the sole survivors of a torpedoed ship. Joan Collins, Richard Burton, Basil Sydney, Cy Grant.

Hongkong's Contribution To Merdeka Celebrations



Tengku's Picture Goes On To Souvenir Plates

By a China Mail Reporter

THOUSANDS of porcelain dishes bearing the colour photos of Tengku Abdul Rahman, Chief Minister of the Malay Federation, and other Sultans in the Federation, are being shipped to Malaya as souvenirs for the forthcoming Independence Day celebrations, it was disclosed by Mr Kao Ling-mai, a local manufacturer, this morning.

It was also learned that ten sets and lamp shades with various coats-of-arms and other symbols of independence are also being imported in Hongkong for the Malaysians as souvenirs.

The porcelain dishes were imported from the United Kingdom, and photos of the Tengku and the sultans were transferred on to the dishes in Hongkong laboratories.

Many artists were employed to colour the photographs individually before coating them with a plastic coating to preserve the images.

Japan & Germany

Besides the Chief Minister, other "photo porcelain dishes" included the pictures of His Highness the Sultan of Pahang; His Highness the Sultan of Johore; His Highness the Yang Di-Pertuan Besar of Negri Sembilan; His Highness the Sultan of Selangor; His Highness the Raja of Perlis; His Highness the Sultan of Kelantan; and His Highness the Sultan of Terengganu.

Along with Hongkong products, souvenirs made in Japan and Germany are also being offered for sale in Kuala Lumpur as the souvenirs for Independence celebrations.

Petty Thefts

Cash was stolen from a European in Luard Road early this morning.
 Over the weekend nine cases of robbery were reported to the Police in Kowloon.

EXCITING CHASE AFTER GUNMAN IN REPULSE BAY

THE story of how a gunman was chased around the fashionable residences of Headland Road, Repulse Bay, until he was eventually caught by a quick-witted chauffeur in his employer's car, was told at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

On trial before Mr Justice A.D. Scholes and a jury of three women and four men was Tsui Man, charged with assault with intent to rob, and possession of a revolver loaded with four rounds.

Mr W.S. Collier, Crown Counsel, said the complainant, Kwan Kwan-lung, aged 30, was a dancer employed at Nos. 10 and 14 Headland Road, and he lived near these homes in a hut with his wife and young son.

At 8.15 p.m. on May 7 he was sitting on his bed, reading a newspaper, when, through the open door, he saw two men going down some steps towards him. When they came into his hut he saw that one, the accused, was carrying a gun.

The accused told the gardener to be quiet or he would be killed, continued Crown Counsel. The other man closed the door behind him. The accused took down a Chinese cloth cradle (used for carrying a baby) on the back of the clothes line and instructed his companion to lie the gardener. The accused held on to one hand of the gardener while his companion held on to the other.

Kwan resisted the two men. The accused pointed the gun at his legs and pulled the trigger. "Kwan heard a number of clicks, but there were no bangs," Mr Collier said.

He said that during the struggle Kwan was hit with the revolver, used as a club. He got to the door, and was hit on the head with the revolver. He managed to push open the door and ran up the steps towards the houses.

The accused ran after Kwan, but when they came near house No. 10, the accused overtook Kwan and continued to run away.

POINTED GUN

A friend of the gardener came out of another house and together the two men chased the accused. When they got to No. 14 the accused turned round and told them not to go any further or he would shoot. He pointed the gun at them, but it did not go off.

The chase continued down Headland Road till a chauffeur named Tam who was also a friend of the gardener, had the presence of mind to take up the chase in his employer's car. He overtook the accused, stopped and caught him.

While he was struggling with the accused a Police motorcycle patrol came along. By this time Tam had already disarmed the accused. He handed over the gun to the Police who removed the rounds from the chamber.

"It was only a matter of luck that more serious hurt was not done," said Mr Collier.

He explained that the gun was taken to the Police ballistics expert who found that the rounds had been struck, but because the ammunition was too old the gun had not fired. This officer tested the gun with three good bullets and each time the gun fired. "Had that am-

munition not been faulty, there would have been bullets flying around," Crown Counsel said.

He told the jury that the assault was that the gun was pointed at Kwan, the trigger pulled on a number of occasions, although it did not fire, and also that Kwan was hit with the butt of the gun.

The motive behind this assault, Kwan would tell them, was that these men wished to rob him. If the jury found that the accused did assault Kwan in this manner and that his motive was to rob and that there was another man with him, then the case was established against him. The trial is proceeding.

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"One thing good about Communist China was that there were no reporters to poster me," he added.

When he was informed that his trip to China had caused quite a stir, Mr Blackwood said: "I did not know I had caused all this. I had not planned it to be." Asked whether he regretted making his "unofficial trip," Mr Blackwood replied: "It did not turn out so well."

An official of the Republic of Korea Consulate here said this morning that the Consulate in Hongkong received instructions from the ROK Foreign Ministry some two days ago to investigate Mrs Blackwood's trip to China. It was the regulation that she could be sent back to her country if her travel to any Communist country was intentional.

SATISFIED

However, the Korean Consulate officials here were satisfied that her visit to China was unintentional and therefore there was no cause to repatriate Mrs Blackwood to Korea. But, the official said, by her trip to China, even though she had followed her husband, had violated certain passport regulations and she was ordered to surrender her passport.

The Consulate official said at 11.15 a.m.: "We have still got her passport here? He could not explain how it was possible for Mrs Blackwood to travel to the United States without her passport."

CONFIRMED

An official of the United States Consulate confirmed the fact that Mrs Blackwood left without a Korean passport. The official explained that the United States authorities were able to waive the requirement of a passport in the case of the wife of an American national if she had been granted a visa to enter the United States. The visa was deemed a valid travelling document and entry permit under the circumstances.

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I do not mention films. They are admittedly sub-standard, but our TV people are enjoying a series of films which return to the TV screen on the merit of past popularity. So we wait and see. Meanwhile, good viewing.

European Detained

Cash was stolen from a Chinese woman by a European at the Rong Tai Co. Service in Nathan Road last night. A suspect was arrested.

JOHN LUFF presents Telecrit

LOCAL Television is suffering from severe growing pains. Every inch of studio space is occupied, and although the ingenuity and improvisation of the technicians are admirable, I am certain that their more ambitious projects for the immediate future call for a Television Theatre.

None of the Directors would be drawn out on this, but I am sure the successful applicants for the show, Television Talent Time will be appearing on a stage where the TV Camera can have wider angle play.

Local programmes suffer considerably from production faults of a very elementary nature. Cross talk, the programme where English and Chinese speech and writing are exchanged is a vivid example of this.

For ten out of the fifteen minutes' viewing time, we had a close up picture of the backs of the two persons participating in this feature, and their exchange of talk was at times so intimate that we were not let into the secret.

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The newsreel is also below interest standard. Now first and foremost a newsreel should contain news. Incidents like typhoons, floods, or visits of celebrities are news, the interesting bits of our local personalities are not.

But the greatest fault is the lack of tie-up between the camera-man and the news anchor. We see a picture of someone shaking hands with someone while the announcer says mute and we are left wondering what it is all about.

Further to this, I should have imagined that the producers would have taught their announcers to face the camera; time and again we see someone gazing, obviously at a script, off camera angle. The result on the screen is most disconcerting.

The most popular shows are the introducing of local personalities. Mr Kong Ling, who ends her series tonight has made history in that she is the first Chinese artist to bring her own show. Another popular show which has a large following of local sportsmen is Lee Wai-tung Introduce; this Friday evening feature is continuing.

Last Friday at 9.30 p.m. began the first of nine abridged versions of Chinese operas which will appear every Friday at the same time until the series is completed.

For your future viewing I recommend the following: Tonight, Kong Ling ends her present series, and at 8.45 p.m. the new, newly ordained priest, Father Gosano, who has made local headlines, is interviewed.

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Mail Notices

Monday, July 22
 By Surface
 Rabaul, 4 p.m.
 Macao, 5 p.m.
 Tuesday, July 23
 By Air
 Peking, Shanghai, Kuanming, Hankow, Hobei, 7 a.m.
 Laos, 8 a.m.
 Thailand, Burma, India 9 a.m.
 Cambodia, 9 a.m.
 Philippines, 1 p.m.
 Indonesia, 2 p.m.
 Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A., 2 p.m.
 Malaysia, Indonesia, Ceylon, 4 p.m.
 Australia, New Zealand, 2 p.m.
 Thailand, Burma, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.
 Japan, 8 p.m.
 Canada, 6 p.m.
 Hawaii, U.S.A., 6 p.m.
 Formosa, 6 p.m.

Seven Injured

Seven persons were injured in separate traffic accidents in Hongkong and Kowloon over the weekend. They were taken to hospital for treatment.

FATALLY INJURED

An unknown Chinese was fatally injured by a private car in Causeway Road, near Morton Terrace, last night.

THE CHINA MAIL PHOTO COMPETITION ENTRY FORM

Name and initials

Private address

Caption

Section

Entrant's declaration: This photograph (these photographs) is (are) my own work and was (were) taken in Hongkong in (year) (month)

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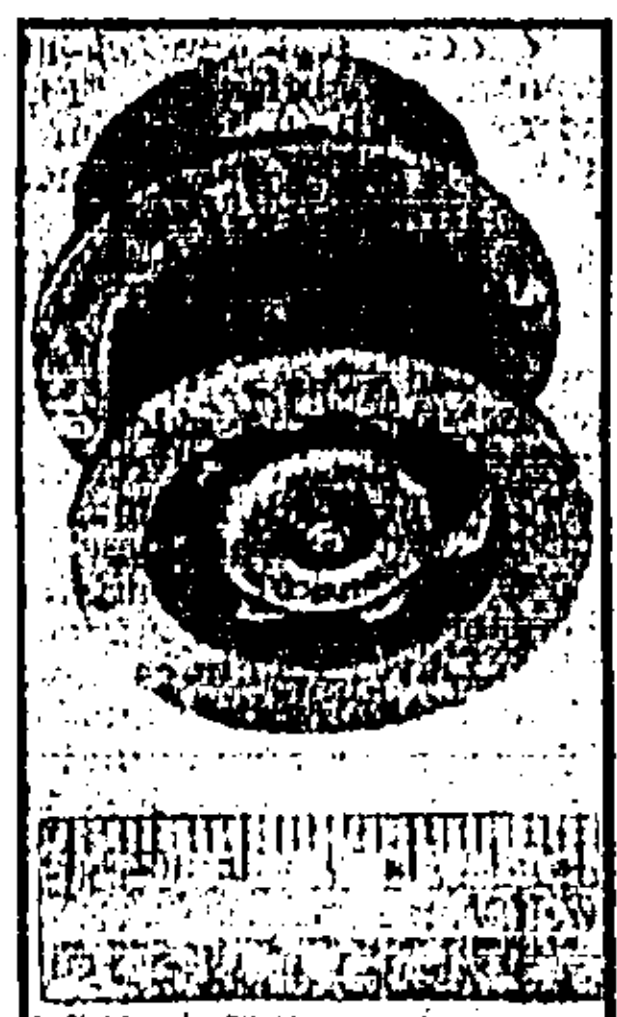
METER DETECTS MASTITIS IN DAIRY MILK

A simple portable instrument will soon be on the market to help dairy farmers detect in the early stages milk which is infected by mastitis. The instrument, which is basically a conductivity meter, is in the course of development at the works of a UK firm and prototype models were demonstrated at this year's Royal Show.

The seriousness of mastitis is clearly realised by all dairy farmers and an early detection of the disease in one cow would do much to prevent whole herds from being attacked. The test takes only a few seconds to perform and, as the instrument is portable, on-the-spot checks can be taken.

ELECTRONIC APPARATUS COOLER

A very small 400-cycles axial-flow fan of high performance has been produced by The General Electric Co. Ltd. for airborne applications, chiefly for cooling electronic apparatus.



It is a down-stream guide vane fan, with an impeller of 2.4 in. diameter and an overall length of 3.5 in., the weight being under 1 lb.

The fan motor, a totally enclosed squirrel cage induction 4-pole design, has a diameter of 1.6 in. Running at 11,630 r.p.m., it consumes 15 watts and will move 30 c.f.m. at a static pressure of 0.8 in. water gauge. A 22,000 r.p.m. version at present in course of development will have the remarkably high output of 50 c.f.m. at 3 in. w.g. for the same weight.

The guide vanes and motor carcass are integral with the casing, the whole being a one-piece aluminium pressure die-casting. The impeller is a plastic moulding, with aerofoil section wings. The rotor shaft is carried in single shield ball bearings at each end, the bearings being spring-loaded axially to ensure quiet running. Owing to the efficient cooling provided by the integral guide vanes the temperature rises of the windings and ball bearings are unusually low.

Motor Ship Cut And Lengthened

Now 21 feet longer than when she was built in 1940, the motor ship *Rupert's Land*, belonging to the Hudson's Bay Company, has recently returned to her duty of carrying stores to the firm's trading posts in Canada.

She arrived in Scotland at the end of 1956 for her "operation", which took place in the dock of the Allis Shipbuilding Company in Troon, on the west coast of Scotland.

The vessel was cut through amidships and launchways constructed under the forward end, which was then pulled along to make room for a new portion to be built in.

The construction of the additional part and its successful incorporation into the ship took about three months, after which stringent tests took place to make sure of the vessel's seaworthiness.

TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

AMERICAN ECONOMY IN DOLDRUMS

Experts Say Slowdown Will Lay The Base For Renewed Upturn

By JOHN MORKA

New York, July 21.

The US economy moved along this past week in sidewise fashion, a combination of hot weather, vacation, shutdowns and strikes cutting further into the seasonally reduced activity.

Production—as usual in the summer doldrums—is at or near its lows in such major industries as metals products, textiles, electrical machinery, paper, rubber products, among others.

Few if any are worried on this score, however. Many experts predict the slowdown will lay the base for a renewed upturn late in the year. Although the volume of industrial production is still off some 3 per cent from December levels, in every month so far this year it has been above the corresponding month of 1956.

The major reason for this confidence appears to be the slowdown in the buildup of inventories, with the possibility of some further drain off of surplus goods. Manufacturers' inventories rose recently to \$2.6 billion, a jump of \$20 million, but much of this was due to higher prices, however.

Cement Strike

There was more concern, however, with the three-week old strike in the cement industry which has already idled thousands and crippled major construction projects running into hundreds of millions of dollars. The strike of 16,000 strikers in the East and South has already idled about 20,000 construction workers in the New York area alone and further payoffs across the country are in the offing. Affected by the cement shortages are highways, hotels, airports, office and apartment buildings.

Premium reportedly ranging to 77 per cent are being paid for cement and heavy orders are being placed with European and Canadian suppliers as well as with others in Puerto Rico and the Dominican Republic. One importer is said to have ordered some 30,000 tons from Europe while another has liked his buying from Puerto Rico and

templed in the amount of reserve member banks would be required to retain in their portfolios as against deposits. By reducing reserves, banks would be able to lend more money. Markets crowded, however, that present reserves—now ranging from 12 to 20 per cent—are too high.

Indications

As another anti-inflationary measure, there were indications that the Government is planning to lower required down-payments on federally insured homes, and reports the present 5 per cent limit on mortgages might be hiked another 1/4 per cent in order to attract new mortgage financing.

Housing starts are of 30 per cent from the peak year of 1955, while expenditures were 15 per cent from the 1955 top. Private housing starts during June were at the annual rate of 870,000 units, compared with the 1955 pace of 1,091,000 in June, 1955. It is now fairly certain that housing starts will fall below the one million mark for the first time since 1948, when starts totaled 931,000.

The decline in housing starts has had a deleterious effect on building equities. Meanwhile the tight money situation is beginning to pinch even some stocks, normally considered the best hedge against inflation. Wall Streeters are generally unanimous that recent market bullishness which recently pierced new peaks last week reflects fears by investors that inflation will be here for sometime to come. While the overall market has trended stronger, it has at the same time been very selective. One of the casualties, however, has been the utilities, long a favourite of small investors. They now trail behind other shares, having lost from 2 to 10 per cent of their market valuations from the year's highs.

Wall Streeters ascribe two reasons for the setback in utilities: increasing competition from higher yielding bond and common stocks and the money pinch. Many companies have found it difficult to finance huge expansion projects because of the high interest rates. In many instances, bond offerings were either postponed or else sold at top interest rates.

A New Look

For the long-range, economists were taking a new look at the growing between industrial production and industrial capacity.

Right now industry's overall production has dropped from an estimated 85 per cent to 81 per cent capacity, since the end of 1956, meanwhile, industry continues to lay out billions of new production capacity, leading many to wonder just how far industry can go without running into trouble.

Business spending this year will probably not be at the 22 per cent rates in 1956. Government estimates indicate that expenditures for new plant and equipment will show a rising trend over the first three quarters. Such expenditures will probably run about 19 per cent above the year-ago levels, with higher costs accounting for about half the rise.

Government economists and others are now wondering about this rise in ratio of capital investment to output. But so far nobody seems to have the answer. Business Week Magazine in a report on the subject took note of this growing gap. It says, for example, that steel mills have been operating at about 67 per cent during the first six months (more recently 80 per cent); petroleum, 88 per cent of capacity; machinery, 84 per cent; paper & pulp, 90 percent.—United Press.

NAMESAKES

Answer—1. Romand, 2. Camera, 3. Director, 4. Secretary, 5. Photographer, 6. Silent, 7. Screen, 8. Taker, 9. Film, 10. Heroine, 11. Pictures, 12. Applaud. Mary Pickford.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Our Own Correspondent

Business done on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately \$753,000. Near quotations and the morning's transactions:

BANKS	Overseas	Others	Sales
HSBC	1770	1785	
Union	531		533 1/2
Bank of China			103 1/2
Bank of Communications			213 1/2
Bank of East Asia			213 1/2
Bank of India			213 1/2
Bank of Japan			213 1/2
Bank of Korea			213 1/2
Bank of London			213 1/2
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THE BANK OF ENGLAND STATEMENT

London, July 21.
The Bank of England statement for the week ended July 17, reads as follows:

Notes in circulation	2,232,342,331
Public deposits	2,094,460
Private deposits	2,070,000
Government securities	242,048,000
Other securities	29,474,243
Receipts	9,8
Ratio	100

EXCHANGE RATES

Business was done in the local market on the following rates:	
U.S. dollar (per \$1)	6.62
Sterling (per £1)	10.48
Australian dollar (per £1)	10.48
Indonesian rupiah (per 100)	13.20
Sumatra (per 100)	13.20
Singapore (Straits)	1.20

COTTON FUTURES

FINISH WEEK WITH LARGE GAINS

By HENRY J. BECHTOLD
New York, July 21.

Cotton futures fluctuated widely in moderately active dealings this past week and finished with substantial gains.

At Friday's close, the list ruled 29 to 58 points—1.45 to 2.90 a bale—above the previous week's closing.

Washington developments dominated the market and a very favorable weekly weather report was ignored.

Prices were down as much as \$2.40 a bale on Monday in an extension of the preceding Friday's sharp selling off as many traders believed any action on new farm legislation during this current session of Congress would be aimed at lowering prices to put cotton in a better competitive position.

The market made a modest technical recovery on Tuesday, but on Wednesday the list, especially the distant deliveries, rose sharply and erased the losses registered in the Friday and Monday sessions.

The sharp recovery reflected the reports out of the House Agricultural Committee on pending farm bills.

Chairman Cawley announced the hearing with no indication that he planned further proceedings and Representative Simpson declared he did not believe Assistant

ATTEMPT TO BREAK THROUGH HISTORIC HIGHS

By ELMER WALZER

New York, July 21.

The market this past week has been making a valiant attempt to break through the historic highs set in April 1956. On Tuesday industrial stocks came about as close as possible to achieving that goal without actually doing so.

After moving to within less than half a point of the historic peak in their average, industrials ran into resistance that drove them down irregularly the rest of the week.

Rails had a few moments of glory during the week but finished lower on average. So did utilities.

At the close on Friday, more than 1,000,000,000 had been wiped from market values. Industrials finished more than 5 points below their all-time high.

At various times during the week the market attempted to mount a new assault, but each one petered out in the face of profit-taking and caution. The market put on one of its best displays of strength just before the close on Friday, sharply raising the day's earlier losses.

However, market men were pleased by the fact that at no time this past week was selling really heavy. They also noted that the decline from the record highs set on Tuesday was mainly of a technical nature, and that the market probably will make another test of the highs soon.

The retreat in securities prices came in the face of many good business and corporate news developments.

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NO TRAINS TO CANTON YET

But Deadlocked Talks May

Resume At Any Time

STATEMENT IN LONDON

by David T. K. Wong

THE resumption of through traffic on the Kowloon-Canton Railway, so long rumoured both in Hongkong and London, is unlikely to materialise in the near future.

A Colonial Office spokesman said that since the breakdown of the talks on administrative problems between the local railway authorities 18 months ago, no further talks have taken place. He added, however, that such talks might possibly be resumed at any time.

London.

The issue on which the previous talks floundered was the control of the entry of people into Hongkong.

A Foreign Office spokesman said that until the administrative problems are solved, that matter could not be taken up with Peking on a political level.

Therefore, it looks as if the break in the 111-mile journey from Hongkong to Canton will have to continue for the time being.

300-Yard Walk

At present passengers have to alight at the little village of Lo Wu on the border of British territory, cross a bridge spanning the Shum Chun River, and board another train for Canton. The walk covers some 300 yards.

While the section of the Kowloon-Canton Railway in British territory is only 22 miles in length, it is one of the most expensive pieces of railway construction in the world. It was built between 1900 and 1910 at the cost of £75,000 per mile.

The reason for the heavy cost is due largely to the tremendous amount of rock cutting that had to be done. For example, the Beacon Hill Tunnel measuring one and three-eighths miles cost £200,000 to build. The railways in the British section is a single track line built on the standard gauge of four feet eight and a half inches, and it is capable of taking the heaviest rolling stock. Trains are operated on the "Absolute Block System," that is, only one train enters a station at any one time.

Reclaimed

The terminal station in Kowloon was built on reclaimed land and it was completed and opened to the public on March 23, 1910.

The British section of the railway is owned entirely by the Hongkong Government and is run as a government department. It employs over 700 people and its turnover amounts to Mr. E. Trevor, CBE, M.C. The Kowloon-Canton Railway is of vital importance to the welfare of both Hongkong and South China. It contributed to the development of the New Territories particularly by opening up what had up till then been inaccessible areas. It was the mainstay of the supply system of South China during the Sino-Japanese hostilities and today it carries Chinese food products to the Hongkong market.

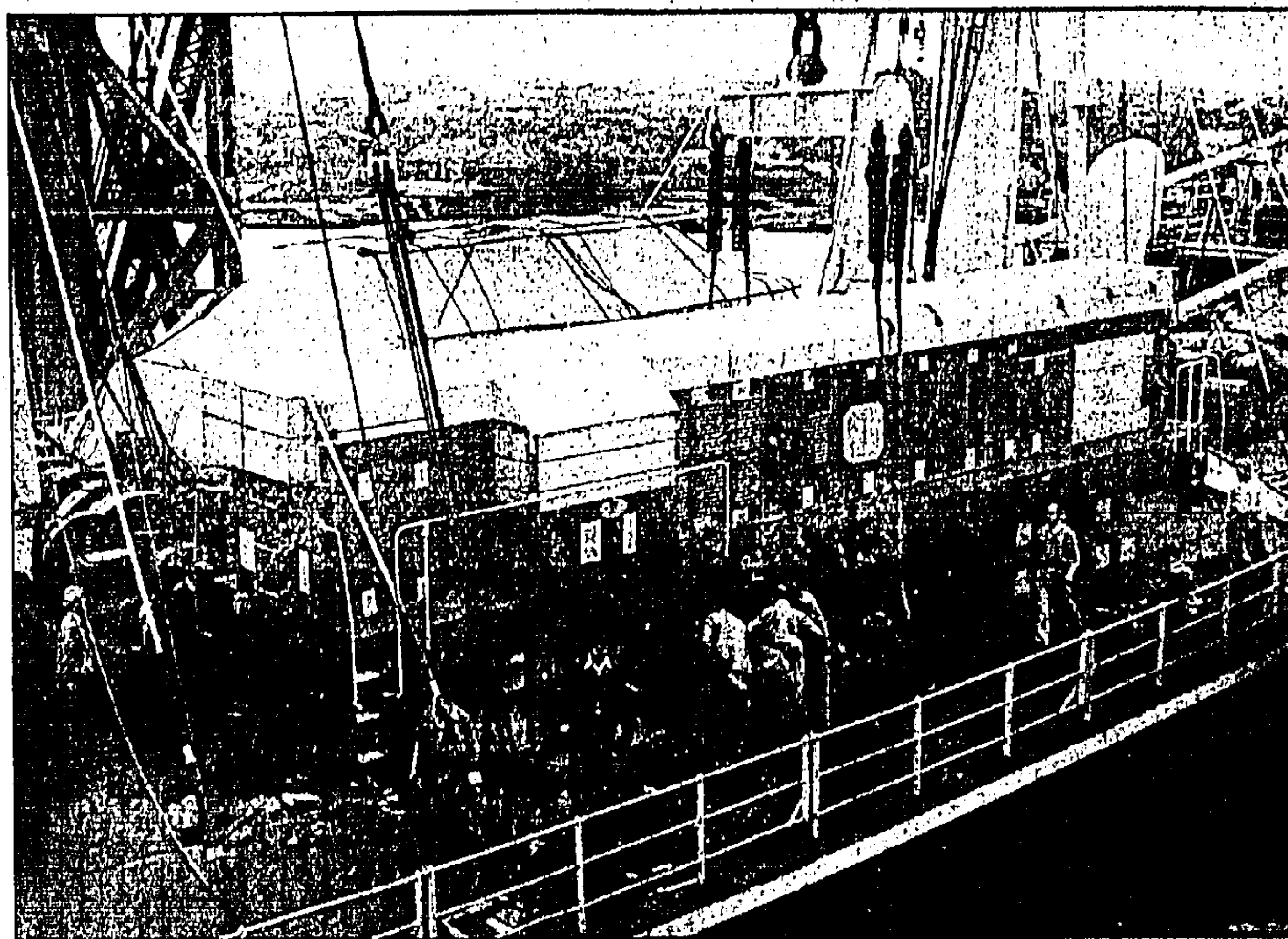
The railway was heavily damaged during World War II. It lost more than 50 per cent of its rolling stock. Its rehabilitation, now in its final stages, will eventually cost approximately HK\$20,000,000.

Rolling Stock

Today its rolling stock includes 53 carriages with a total seating capacity of 4,062 and 227 wagons with a total carrying capacity of 9,345 tons. Its latest acquisitions are four Diesel-Electric locomotives from Australia, and a fifth is expected to arrive in the Colony later this month or in August.

The embargo on China, recently eased, has told heavily on the business of the railway. The amount of goods carried on the railway during 1955-56 totalled 371,795 tons, of which 218,209 tons went up to China and 153,510 tons came down to Hongkong. This has been reduced to 176,897 tons during 1956-57, of which only 16,148 tons went to China while 160,749 tons came to Hongkong. Likewise, the number of passengers carried has dropped from 6,055,890 to 3,900,244 for the corresponding periods.

A NEW DIESEL FOR HONGKONG



The above photo sent by our correspondent in Sydney, shows one of the Kowloon-Canton Railway diesels being loaded on to a ship in Sydney.

Tung Wah Pupils Get Prizes

Hon. J. C. McDouall, Secretary for Chinese Affairs paid tribute to pupils and teachers of Tung Wah Hospital Primary Schools for their academic achievements at the graduation ceremony at King's Theatre this morning.

A total of 644 pupils passed the examination this year from the Upper Primary and Lower Primary of the Tung Wah's six free schools, and received their certificates and prizes from Mrs McDouall.

In his short speech Mr McDouall said: "It is your own fellow-citizens who, like fellow-clanmen, have been helping you gain knowledge. When you are a little older you will be able to use that knowledge to help yourselves still more."

"But do not forget that there will be other Hongkong children who will still need any help that you can give to them." The graduation ceremony was presided over by Mr Wilson T. S. Wang, Chairman of Tung Wah.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

That Long Walk

Sir—That the newly built star ferry still leaves something to be desired is admitted by every passenger who has used it. The chief complaint is the great distance one has to walk to get aboard. One almost runs out of breath for fear of missing a boat. Worse to those who rush up at the end of the long corridor to find the "door" closed before him and the boat leaving.

Such an unsatisfactory situation can, however, be easily improved. Here is the suggestion. When a boat is leaving, no more passengers should be admitted into the long corridor. Those passengers who have got there in time to get aboard before the boat steers away. That being the case, there will be no need whatsoever for any one to engage in a marathon which is often forced upon the passenger for fear of missing a boat.

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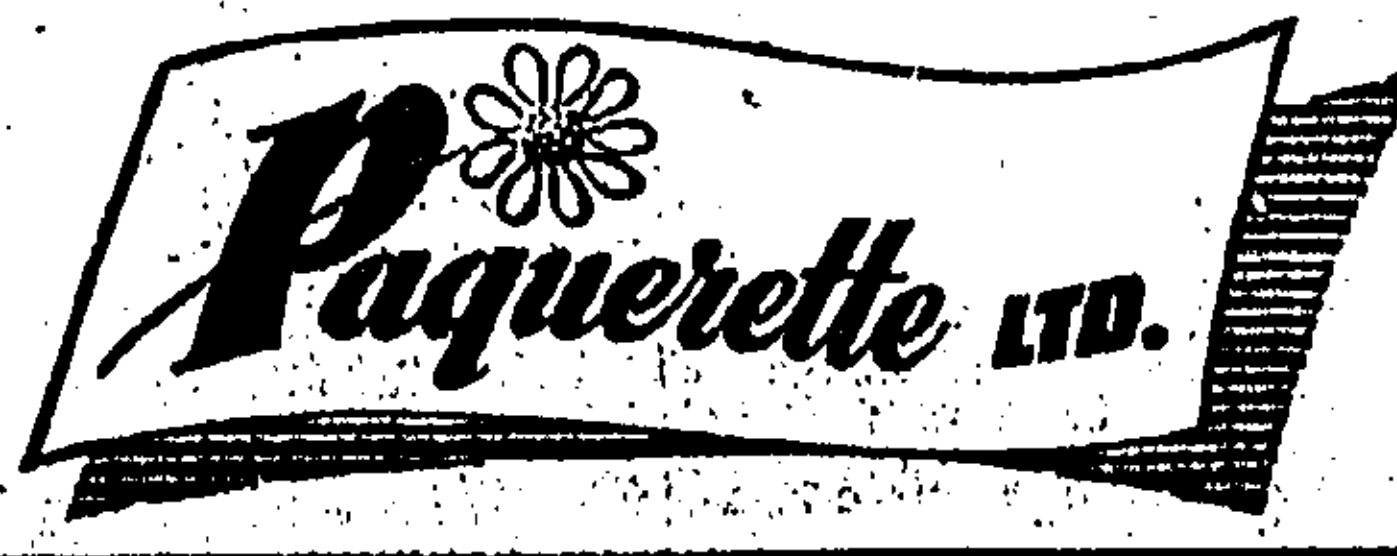
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Electric Companies To Get A Letter

By A CHINA MAIL REPORTER

A letter is being drafted and will be sent "in a day or two" to the Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd. and the China Light and Power Co., Ltd. by a 15-men committee expressing dissatisfaction with the reduction of three per cent in the electricity surcharge announced on July 16.

The letter will contain, it is learned, resolutions and suggestions passed at a meeting of the committee representing 109 trade and industrial organisations in Hongkong last Friday.

The meeting expressed dissatisfaction with the "small reduction in view of the profits made by the two electric power companies."

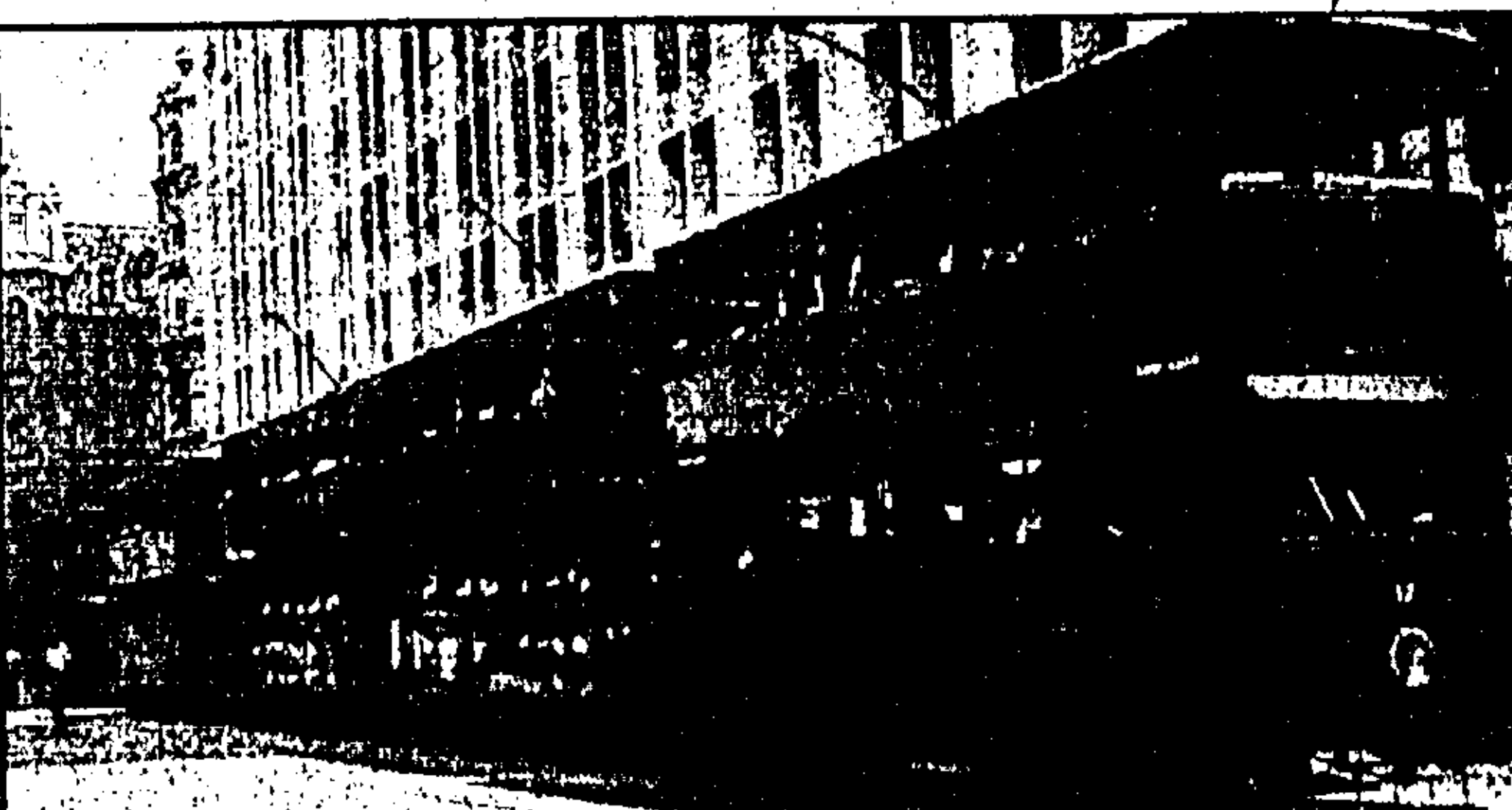
One of the resolutions called for figures from the companies to justify such a small reduction and to request from them a statement as to when the total reduction of surcharges could be expected by the consuming public.

PLANS

It was also suggested at the meeting that "lawful and peaceful" ways will be a campaign to urge industrial and domestic consumers to economise as much as possible in their consumption of electricity.

A reliable source said yesterday that another meeting of the committee will be held within 10 days or two weeks to consider the reply given by the electric power companies to their letters, which are to be dispatched in a day or two.

Big Tram Holdup In City



Part of a long holdup of trams in Des Voeux Road central this morning. Reason? No accident was apparent and according to our photographer who took this picture it was just because the trams were waiting for the lights to change.

Ship Back With Engine Trouble

The 738-ton Panamanian freighter, Winery, which cleared for Borneo on July 20, returned yesterday because of engine trouble.

The vessel under the command of Capt. O. T. Uglan was about 100 miles from Hongkong at the time.

Winery, whose local agents are Lee Brothers & Co., was one of the ships which took shelter here from typhoon Wendy last week.

Phone Call Early On Sunday Morning

In response to a telephone call made by the ss Eastern Mariner early on Sunday morning the Marine Police went aboard and took over from the Second Officer three men who were accused of unlawful boarding.

Defendants, Yuen Kam-cheung, 24, Li Man, 41, and Wong Shu, 25, appeared before Mr. D.L.P. Edwards at the Marine Court this morning on a charge of unlawful boarding.

The first defendant, Yuen Kam-cheung, who had two similar convictions before, was fined \$200 or five weeks. The other two defendants both had three previous convictions; also similar, were each fined \$300 or six weeks.

Sub-Inspector Y. P. Leung told the Court that at 6.30 a.m. on July 21 Marine Police, acting on information, went on board the ss Eastern Mariner in Yau-mat Bay.

They were handed over three men by the Second Officer of the ship who reported that defendants boarded the vessel without any authority.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"I'm glad you're coming home with us now that you're through college—I've got a job lined up for you, mowing the lawn!"

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